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This page notifies staff and the public of changes to the Cash and Nutrition Assistance Policy (CNAP) Manual regarding policy, procedures, and forms. Reminders and general information may also be displayed on this page. Prior What's Changed pages are listed in [What's Changed History](#) of the CNAP Manual.

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Clarification: LIBL/STBL Time Limit Extension Denial Closure Reason Code

When a Jobs Noncompliance ACTS Alert is received during the budgetary unit's Time Limit Extension period, close the CA case by completing **all** of the following:

- Review NOHS to verify that the Closure of CA Additional 12 Months (A435) notice was sent by Jobs to the PI.

- Key the Sanction Reason Code in the RSN CODE field on DISA.

- Key the 12-Month Arizona Time Limit (TI) Denial Closure Reason Code on AFED for the sanction month.

- Reauthorize benefits and send appropriate notices for other programs, when applicable.

- Document the case file that the budgetary unit no longer meets the requirements for the CA Time Limit Extension.

See [FAA2.M07G.10](#) titled LIBL/STBL Time Limit Extension – Keying Procedures for Closures for more information on closing a CA case for LIBL/STBL Time Limit Extension.

Clarification: Notices for an ABAWD Extension Period

When FAA staff complete an eligibility determination for an ABAWD extension period, the PI is notified of the results with an appropriate notice. Complete **any** of the following, when appropriate:

- When a determination is completed for an application, send **one** of the following notices:

    An NA approval notice

    An NA Denial/Closure notice

- When a determination is completed for a reported change, send **one** of the following notices:

The Increase - NA Benefits (F702) notice

The Decrease - NA Benefits (F701) notice

No Change on Reported Information (C705) notice

See Extension Period at FAA2.M09C titled ABAWD Continued Eligibility for more information.

Reminder: ABAWD Discretionary Exemption

An Urgent Bulletin was emailed on 08/29/2024 informing staff that effective 08/30/2024, AZTECS will be updated to allow the Able Bodied Adult Without Dependents (ABAWD) Discretionary Exemption (DE) Code for September, October, November, and December 2024.

NA participants subject to the ABAWD time limit can be exempt with the discretionary exemption when the participant does not meet any other ABAWD exemption or work requirement.

Starting on 08/30/2024, when an NA participant does not meet any other ABAWD exemption or work requirement, key the DE ABAWD Discretionary Exemption Code in the WERE EXPT RSN FS field on WERE.

Staff must determine the correct exemption for an ABAWD participant and use an ABAWD work requirement or an ABAWD exemption before using the discretionary exemption.

AZTECS auto-populates WERE with an ABAWD exemption code. When another exemption is more appropriate, change the auto-populated exemption on WERE.

The AB Denial Closure Reason Code is deactivated as of 08/30/2024 until further notice.

Beginning January 2025, a new ABAWD three-year period begins, and the benefit months of January, February, and March are not counted toward the ABAWD time limit.

On 08/30/2024, the Policy Support Team (PST) will place a yellow banner in the Cash and Nutrition Assistance Policy (CNAP) Manual at FAA2.M09A titled ABAWD Time Limit and Work Requirements and FAA2.M09B titled ABAWD Exemptions with a link to the Urgent Bulletin. Refer to the Urgent Bulletin for directions on completing ABAWD exemptions until further notice.

General Information: Forms Update

Changes to Forms – 08/24/2024 through 08/30/2024

As a reminder, it is important not to save documents on your desktop or a folder. It is better to use the form you need directly from the Document Center. Forms are frequently updated and sometimes the current form must be used for programming purposes.

Revised forms:

- No forms were revised during the specified period

Revised Marketing Materials (Posters, Pamphlets, Flyers):

- No revisions to marketing materials were made during the specified period

Newly created forms:

- No forms were created during the specified period

New Marketing Materials (Posters, Pamphlets, Flyers):

- No new marketing materials were created during the specified period

Forms Archived from the Document Center

- No forms were archived from the Document Center