

10 **NA Able Bodied Adult Without Dependents – Overview**

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An able bodied adult without dependents is considered an ABAWD participant. The ABAWD certification must not exceed three months unless that person is meeting the [ABAWD work requirements](#) or an ABAWD exemption.

Participants must comply with ABAWD work requirements or meet ABAWD work registration exemptions in order to continue receiving NA.

The three month time limit does not apply to individuals who meet the following criteria:

- under 18 years of age
- 50 years of age or over
- physically or mentally unfit for employment
- responsible for a dependent child
- residing in a household where a household member is under age 18
- pregnant
- chronically homeless

All other NA participants are considered ABAWDs.

Policy and procedures regarding eligibility determinations for NA ABAWD participants are outlined as follows:

- [ABAWD Work Requirements](#)
- [ABAWD Exemptions](#)
- [ABAWD Countable Months](#)
- [ABAWD Participation and Referral Form](#)
- [ABAWD Extensions](#)
- [ABAWD Reporting Requirements](#)
- [ABAWD Regaining Eligibility](#)
- [ABAWD Policy Implementation Desk Reference](#) (PDF 110 KB)
- [ABAWD Keying Compliance and Noncompliance Desk Reference](#) (PDF 58 KB)