

A State Assistance Approval Periods - GA Approval Periods

When a participant meets all GA eligibility factors they are eligible for up to 18 months of benefits during any 36-consecutive month period. (See [Eligibility Factors Table- ST](#) and [GA 18 Months](#))

AZTECS sets the approval period for six months.

The first payment begins the first month of eligibility, but no earlier than the month of application. Benefits are prorated from the date of application. (See [Prorating Benefits](#))

WARNING

Make no payments past the [12 month time limit](#) unless the participant is verified to be eligible for [six additional months](#).

Do not continue benefits beyond the end of the approval period without a new eligibility determination. A new medical disability determination IS NOT required at renewal.

The EI or supervisor may request a renewal at an earlier date. The renewal may be scheduled to correspond with the following:

- An [NA approval period](#).
- Reported changes by the participant that make it difficult to determine eligibility or benefit level without a new application and face to face interview.
- The expiration of the GA 12 month time limit.

(See the [Renewal Process](#) for renewal procedures and [GA Case Audits](#) for completing case audits)