



Arizona Department of Economic Security
Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System

Race and Ethnicity Reporting

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This NEWS FLASH is being issued to remind staff that federal regulations require FAA to collect race and ethnic information on all applicants and program participants. This data is used to measure our success in reaching and providing services to all eligible populations.

NOTE: Race and ethnicity are not mandatory verification requirements

It is preferred for the participant to voluntarily provide this information. Encourage the person being interviewed to voluntarily provide the race and ethnic background for all household members. Ensure that they understand that this information is voluntary and will not affect their eligibility or the level of benefits they may receive.

When a person chooses not to voluntarily provide the race and ethnic background for all household members complete the following:

- Use visual observation when conducting an in-person interview
- View verification that has been previously provided (ex: ID, birth certificate, etc.)

For additional information on Race and Ethnicity, please see FAA2.M03 and FAA2.M09 of the FAA Policy Manual.

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