



Arizona Department of Economic Security  
Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System

**CA 12 Month Time Limit**

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This NEWS FLASH is being issued to provide staff with a desk aid of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) regarding the 12-Month State Benefit Limit (STBL).

Effective the benefit month of 07/2016, a participant can only receive 12 countable months of Arizona CA benefits in their lifetime. House Bill 2681, passed in 2015, requires CA benefits to terminate on 06/30/16 for all budgetary units that have received 12 or more months of CA benefits in Arizona. Some members of the public have already contacted the Family Assistance Administration (FAA) about this change thinking it went into effect July 2015.

All participants that have received 10 or more countable months of CA benefits by 04/01/16 will receive a letter. The letter will provide the participant with the opportunity to apply for a STBL hardship extension, effective the benefit month of 07/2016.

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**IMPORTANT**

Please review the attached FAQs to prepare for these changes.

Please contact the FAA Policy Support Team by phone at **(602) 774-5523** or by e-mail at **FAAPolicyMgmt@azdes.gov** with any questions or concerns regarding this broadcast.

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