



Arizona Department of Economic Security
Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System

**San Carlos Apache Tribe TANF Case Processing Changes
(Amended)**

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The San Carlos Apache Tribe (SCAT) Nnee Bich'o Nii Program will begin processing **new** Cash Assistance (CA) applications for San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation residents effective **03/01/16. Effective 04/01/16, the SCAT Nnee Bich'o Nii Program will begin processing all SCAT TANF cases.**

Effective 03/01/16, deny all new CA applications received that meet the criteria for SCAT TANF using the SG Denial or Closure Reason Code. Send the appropriate notice to advise the customer of the denial and that they will need to apply for CA at the SCAT Nnee Bich'o Nii program office. **The determination and payment of benefits for new CA applications will be completed by the SCAT Nnee Bich'o Nii program staff.**

On 03/31/16, AZTECS will automatically close ongoing SCAT TANF cases. These customers will receive a notice advising them of the closure and that they will need to apply for CA at the SCAT Nnee Bich'o Nii program office.

Any CA benefits that remain on the customer's EBT card will remain on the card, after 180 days of inactivity the EBT benefits are deleted.

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