



POLICY CHANGE ALERT #16-019F

TITLE: SAN CARLOS APACHE TRIBAL TANF – NNEE BICH 'O NII CHANGES

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Summary

Programs Impacted: CA

Effective April 1, 2016 the San Carlos Apache Tribe (SCAT) Nnee Bich 'o Nii program took over the processing of TANF cases for customers residing on the SCAT reservation.

The SCAT Nnee Bich 'o Nii program provides Tribal CA benefits to otherwise eligible CA households that live on the SCAT reservation.

Households living on the SCAT reservation will no longer receive their CA through DES. FAA Systems has closed active SCAT TANF cases. The SCAT CASH ASSISTANCE CLOSURE (A657) notice was sent to these customers informing them of the CA closure and directing them to contact the SCAT Nnee Bich 'o Nii program at (928) 475-5011 or (928) 475-5032 to apply for future CA benefits.

Beginning April 1, 2016, when a CA application is received that meets SCAT program eligibility requirements, complete the following:

- Accept and register the application.
- Complete an interview for the other FAA programs.
- Refer the CA applicant to the SCAT Nnee Bich'o Nii Program office to apply for CA benefits.
- Deny the CA and send the A657 notice.

Revision Details

The FAA Policy Manual will be updated to include the information in this Policy Change Alert during one of the next bimonthly revisions. Until then, an alert will be placed in each revised section with a link to this document as a reminder of the policy change.

POLICY REFERENCE: FAA6.J09 – San Carlos Apache Tribe TANF – Overview

Effective **04/01/16**, San Carlos Apache Tribe (**SCAT**) Nnee Bich'o Nii Program staff determines CA eligibility for budgetary units **living on the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation**.

Policy and procedures regarding the **SCAT Nnee Bich'o Nii** Program are outlined as follows:

- [SCAT Eligibility Requirements](#)
- [SCAT Service Delivery Area \(SDA\)](#)
- [SCAT Special Keying Requirements](#)
- [SCAT Referral Process](#)



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POLICY REFERENCE: FAA6.J09A – Eligibility Requirements - San Carlos Apache Tribe TANF

San Carlos Apache Tribe (**SCAT**) TANF eligibility is limited to otherwise eligible CA budgetary units that live in the [SCAT Service Delivery Area \(SDA\)](#).

(See [SCAT Special Keying Requirements](#))

POLICY REFERENCE: FAA6.J09B – Service Delivery Area (SDA) - San Carlos Apache Tribe TANF

The San Carlos Apache Tribe (SCAT) TANF Program Service Delivery Area (SDA) includes all areas within the boundaries of the SCAT Reservation and includes the following **communities**:

San Carlos
Peridot
Gilson Wash
Seven-Mile Wash
Bylas

POLICY REFERENCE: FAA6.J09C – Special Keying Requirements - San Carlos Apache Tribe TANF

When it is determined that the applicant is potentially eligible for the San Carlos Apache Tribe (SCAT) Nnee Bich'o Nii program, the CA application is denied. (See [Referral Process - San Carlos Apache Tribe TANF](#))

Review and key the following screens to ensure that an eligibility decision is made correctly for the **other programs the applicant has applied for**:

- **ADDR**
Key SC in the RESERVATION field. This is the Reservation Code for the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation.
- **RARE**
Key Y in the AI RACE field and SC in the TRIBE field next to any participant who is enrolled in the San Carlos Apache Tribe.
Key the participant's tribal census enrollment number in the TRIBAL CENSUS field.

Key a Y or an N in the ETHNICITY HI field for each participant.



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POLICY REFERENCE: FAA6.J09D – Referral Process – San Carlos Apache Tribe TANF

When an applicant that resides in the [San Carlos Apache Tribe \(SCAT\) TANF Service Delivery Area](#) turns in a CA application and meets [SCAT TANF Eligibility Requirements](#) FAA must complete the following:

- Accept and register the application.
- Complete an interview for the other FAA programs.
- Inform the CA applicant they **MUST** apply at a [SCAT Nnee Bich’o Nii Program office](#) to have a CA eligibility determination completed.
- Complete the following to refer the CA applicant to the SCAT Nnee Bich’o Nii Program office to apply for CA benefits:

The Applicant information section of the Tribal/FAA – Turn Around Document (FAA-1125A) form.

Send the completed FAA-1125A to the SCAT Nnee Bich’o Nii Program office.

Save a copy of the completed FAA-1125A to the case file.

- Inform the CA applicant the FAA-1125A will be sent to the [SCAT Nnee Bich’o Nii Program office](#).
- Key SG in the DENIAL CLOSURE REASON field on AFED to deny the CA.
- Send the SCAT CASH ASSISTANCE CLOSURE (A657) notice.

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