



POLICY CHANGE ALERT #16-030F

TITLE: TRIBAL TANF PROGRAMS ELIGIBLE FOR TRANSITIONAL BENEFIT ASSISTANCE

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Summary

Programs Impacted: NA

This Policy Change Alert is being issued to inform staff of a revision made to Transitional Benefit Assistance (TBA) policy. This revision is to clarify that FAA has no opportunity to transition NA participants receiving Tribal TANF, not administered by DES, into TBA.

The following Tribal TANF programs are not administered by FAA:

- Navajo Nation Department for Self-Reliance (NNSDR)
- San Carlos Apache Nnee Bich' o Nii TANF (SC-TANF)
- White Mountain Apache TANF (WMAT-TANF)

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: FAA5.Q06 – NUTRITION ASSISTANCE TRANSITIONAL BENEFIT ASSISTANCE (TBA) – OVERVIEW

The NA Transitional Benefit Assistance (TBA) is intended to support a family's transition from CA to self-sufficiency. TBA enhances program access, and increases NA program participation for low-income families.

Certain eligible NA budgetary units who no longer meet eligibility for CA, transition to TBA. TBA budgetary units are potentially eligible to receive up to five consecutive months of TBA benefits.

AZTECS completes all of the following:

- Transitions certain eligible NA budgetary units to TBA.
- Determines the TBA benefit amount.
- Sets the five month approval period.



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CA EXCEPTION

TBA **only** applies to Tribal TANF programs that are determined in AZTECS. This includes the following:

- [Hopi Family Assistance Program \(HFAP\)](#)
- [Pascua Yaqui YOEME \(PY YOEME\)](#)
- [Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community LEARN \(SRP-MIC LEARN\)](#)

Policy and procedures regarding TBA are outlined as follows:

- [TBA Eligibility](#)
- [TBA Transition Process](#)
- [TBA Changes](#)
- [TBA Closures](#)

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