

SNAP 702-3

SNAP E&T PROVIDER DETERMINATIONS

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Reference: 7 CFR 273.7(c)(18), 7 CFR 273.24, Food Stamp Act Section 6 (D)(2)

When an E&T provider determines that a participant is unfit for the SNAP E&T Program, this is known as a *provider determination*.

The role of the E&T Provider:

- Notify eligibility staff when a participant has been determined not suited for SNAP E&T.
- The E&T provider has the authority to determine if an individual is ill-suited for the E&T component from the time an individual is referred to an E&T component until completion of the component.
- Submit the Employment and Training Client Status Form (DPHHS-HCS/SNAP-010) to the OPA Scanning unit within 10 days from the date of determination was made. The provider must include on the form, the reason for the determination.
- If an E&T provider finds an individual is ill-suited for one component, but the E&T provider determines the individual may be suitable for another component offered by the E&T provider, at State agency option, the E&T provider may switch the individual to the other component and inform the State agency of the new component without the need for the State agency to act further on the provider determination.

The Role of the eligibility specialist (CSC):

- Eligibility staff will receive a 'task' when the form is scanned into Perceptive (data management system.)
 - The eligibility staff may consult with the E&T provider for additional information that would assist in making the most suitable decision for the participant. It is possible for the eligibility staff to re-refer the participant back to the SNAP E&T program.

• The CSC will notify the participant within 10 days of receiving notification from E&T Provider. The State Agency must contact the participant via a phone call or sending an About your Case (AYC). The CSC must verbally state or include in the notice what a provider determination is, the next steps the agency will take as a result of the provider determination, and the contact information of the OPA. The CSC will also send the E&T Consolidated notice within 10 days of receiving notification from E&T Provider.

ABAWDs

- The notices will inform the participant they no longer have an ABAWD exemption through the SNAP E&T program. Also, in return the participant can inform eligibility staff within 10 days if they have another exemption as they will accrue a countable month during the next full benefit month. Eligibility staff will re-access the participant for an exemption from the work requirements.
- The ABAWD will accrue countable months toward their three-month participation time limit the
 next full month during which the eligibility staff notifies the ABAWD of the provider
 determination, unless ABAWD fulfills the work requirements or the ABAWD has good cause,
 lives in a waived area, or is otherwise exempt.

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