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**Online Guide Transmittal 2018-30
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To: Department of Transitional Assistance Staff
From:  Paul Sutliff, Assistant Commissioner for Programs and Field Operations
Re: SNAP – ABAWD Work Program Updates

Overview

Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWDs) are limited to 3 months of eligibility for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits during a 36-month period, unless the client is exempt or meets the ABAWD Work Program (WP) requirement.

Purpose

The purpose of this Transmittal is to advise staff of:

- updated Online Guide content related to screening for out of state ABAWD Work Program noncompliance; and
 - the creation of the ABAWD Q & A Online Guide page. These questions were taken from the Question and Answer section of the ABAWD Work Program splash page on Policy Online, which has been removed.
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Revised Online Guide Page

Topic: SNAP
Book: Work Requirements
Chapter: ABAWD Work Program Requirement
Page: Entering and Removing ABAWD Work Program Sanctions

**New Online
Guide Page**

Topic: SNAP
Book: Work Requirements
Chapter: ABAWD Work Program Requirement
Page: ABAWD Q & A

Questions

If you have any policy or procedural questions, after conferring with the appropriate TAO personnel, please have your Systems Information Specialists or TAO management email the DTA Mailbox.

Systems issues should be directed to the Systems Support Help Desk.
