## Department of Social and Health Services

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### **Summary**

Updates to the Regaining Eligibility (Requalifying) section of the ABAWD chapter only. Policy change- Requalifying rules suspended for ABAWD clients.

# **Regaining Eligibility**

UPDATE: 4/3/2020 Due to the Family's First Act, any ABAWD client applying after 3/18/2020 do not need to meet requalification rules in order to qualify for Basic Food. They can be eligible as long as the household meets the other Basic Food eligibility factors.

There are no limits to the number of times a client can regain eligibility.

An ABAWD may regain eligibility by working and/or participating in approved training a total of 80 hours within a 30 consecutive day period:

The 30 day period may:

- Be any consecutive 30 day period in which the client completed 80 hours of work or work like activities; and
- End as late as 30 days after the date of application.

However, all 80 hours must be within 30 consecutive days.

- 1. If an applicant applies having met the 80 hours within the 30 consecutive days prior to date of application, and meets all other eligibility factors, the client is eligible effective the date of application.
- 2. If an applicant applies before meeting the full 80 hours, they are ineligible.
  - a. Deny the application.
  - b. When the client verifies that the full 80 hours was met, within a 30 consecutive day period ending no later than 30 days after date of application rescreen the application using the requalifying date as the date of application.
  - c. If a client does not provide verification by the 30th day after the application, they will need to provide a new application.