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Summary

The following “Note” and “Example” were added under the Clarifying Information #3.b. for WAC 388-454-0015, “Temporary absence from the home.”

The revision is in response to Policy Clarification #2769 submitted in September 2008 regarding temporary absences from the home. The note and example will help clarify the policy.

NOTE:

This policy also applies to a TANF household that is receiving assistance because there is another child residing with them. In this situation, the child being returned to the home would be considered the 'applicant' and the 30-day rule would apply.

EXAMPLE:

Tammy and her child, Bob, are receiving TANF assistance. She has an older child, Peter, who has not lived with her for 1 year. DCFS verifies that Peter will return to Tammy’s home in 30 days. Peter can be added to Tammy and Bob’s TANF grant once all other eligibility criteria have been met. The benefits can be authorized before Peter returns home, since there is verification from DCFS that he will return home within 30 days.

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