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Summary

Worker Responsibilities – WAC 388-444-0120 was updated to change #2 from "is in her third trimester" to "has a verified pregnancy" and to change #3 by removing the requirement to wait until SSI application is verified before authorizing RCA.

See below for edited text:

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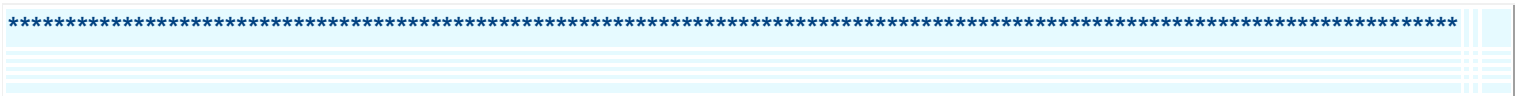
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1. Determine eligibility for TANF before determining eligibility for RCA.
2. Complete a program change when a change of circumstances makes a RCA recipient eligible for TANF (for example, a recipient with no other dependents becomes eligible for TANF because she ~~is in her third trimester of~~has a verified pregnancy).
3. Refer all refugees who are age 65 or older, blind or disabled to SSI facilitator for help with application to Social Security Administration for SSI benefits.
   1. ~~For applicants, authorize RCA once the application for SSI is verified.~~
   ~~2.~~1. Terminate RCA if necessary and authorize SSI medical when SSI is approved.
4. Determine eligibility for other cash programs such as CEAP (Consolidated Emergency Assistance Program), or General Assistance program when RCA eligibility ends due to the expiration of the eight-month time limit.

5. **Matching Grant Program Recipients.**

   If an applicant indicates they are receiving benefits through the Matching Grant program, verify the amount of cash the applicant receives and budget it toward their Basic Food request.

   If the Matching Grant recipient decides to apply for RCA or TANF:

   a. Determine the applicant's eligibility using standard application processing procedures; and
   b.   Notify the VOLAG immediately that the client is requesting cash assistance through a DSHS-administered program.