

F. Ending the Pre-TANF Program

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The Pre-TANF Program ends no later than 30 consecutive days from the applicant’s filing date for TANF. It can end in less than 30 days under the following circumstances:

- The participant begins full or part-time employment that is expected to result in, or lead to, self-sufficiency;
- The participant is placed in a JOBS Plus assignment;
- The Department of Human Services (DHS) determines that the participant is unlikely to benefit from continued Pre-TANF Program participation due to their circumstances, such as, but not limited to, situations of domestic violence;
- The TANF application is withdrawn or denied.

For participants who have not become self-sufficient at the end of the Pre-TANF Program period or who leave the Pre-TANF Program early, open their TANF ongoing grant no earlier than the day the Pre-TANF Program ends. Open the TANF grant using the application processing time frame requirement for that program.

For participants who refuse to attend agreed-upon activities during the Pre-TANF Program but remain otherwise eligible for TANF, the effective date to open their TANF grant is no earlier than the day the Pre-TANF Program ends. If they are JOBS-eligible participants or JOBS-exempt from JOBS participation and disqualification but required to participate in substance abuse/mental health treatment, their TANF grant will be opened with a disqualification.

✓ SEE SECTION E OF THIS CHAPTER ([PRT-E](#)), NONCOOPERATION AND DISQUALIFICATION, FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Disqualifications; Pre-TANF, REF, SNAP, TANF Rule
[461-130-0330](#) — Disqualifications; Pre-TANF, REF, SNAP, TANF

Requirement to Attend an Assessment or Evaluation, or Seek Medically Appropriate Treatment for Substance Abuse and Mental Health; Disqualification and Penalties; Pre-TANF, REF, TANF Rule
[461-135-0085](#) — Requirement to Attend an Assessment or Evaluation, or Seek Medically Appropriate Treatment for Substance Abuse and Mental Health; Disqualification and Penalties; Pre-TANF, REF, TANF

Specific Requirements; Pre-TANF Program Rule[461-135-0475](#) — Specific Requirements; Pre-TANF Program**Specific Requirements: Post-TANF Rule**[461-135-1250](#) — Specific Requirements: Post-TANF**Effective Dates; Initial Month Benefits Rule**[461-180-0070](#) — Effective Dates; Initial Month Benefits**Re-engagement; JOBS, Pre-TANF, REF, SFPSS, TA-DVS Rule**[461-190-0231](#) — Re-engagement; JOBS, Pre-TANF, REF, SFPSS, TA-DVS**2. Denying the TANF application**

When a TANF applicant does not verify TANF eligibility factors by the 30th day after the application date, the application is denied. This includes applicants who:

- Did not complete the TANF application process; **or**
- Whereabouts are unknown; **or**
- Did not return required verifications listed on a pending notice or case plan.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT DENYING THE TANF APPLICATION, SEE TANF B ([TF-B](#)).****Effective Dates; Denial of Benefits Rule**[461-180-0060](#) — Effective Dates; Denial of Benefits