

Policy Clarifications - Cash Assistance - TANF PCT16707105

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Subject: SSI parents as NA members in TANF budget

A single SSI parent receiving TANF benefits for their child(ren) appears on the TANF budget as an NA member and then shows up in the denominator file for our Work Participation Rate (WPR). Is it appropriate to override the Cash eligibility result to change the target type from C00A (absence) to C00I (incapacity) in order to keep them out of the denominator file and increase the WPR?

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Do not override the C00A results as the WPR is not affected by these cases.

A TANF household with a target child deprived due to absence takes priority. A TANF household with a target child deprived due to incapacity requires both parents be in the home and at least one parent disabled. See CAH 129, Deprivation.

The system is correctly determining eligibility and target type. Overriding the C00A result and attempting to build a C00I household will cause a system error. SSI recipients incorrectly showing up on the denominator file is a known issue and a program change request has been submitted. These individuals are removed from the denominator and are correctly counted in the report sent to the federal government.