

Policy Clarifications - Food Stamp
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The Food Stamp Handbook, Section [511.6](#) lists the Food Stamp eligibility criteria for residents of drug and alcohol treatment centers. Are residents of drug and alcohol treatment centers that operate for profit eligible for Food Stamp Benefits?

Response By: Division of Federal Programs and Program Management

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No. Only residents of non-profit treatment centers are eligible for Food Stamp Benefits. **Food Stamp Handbook Chapter 511**, Appendix A **previously** included all drug and alcohol treatment centers and required the caseworker to investigate whether it is non-profit. **Appendix A has been revised to exclude for-profit facilities.**

In addition, if a client indicates he/she is attending a treatment center that is not on this list, the CAO may use the following link <http://app2.health.state.pa.us/commonpoc/Content/PublicWeb/DAFind.aspx> approved by the Department of Health that lists all their licensed drug and alcohol treatment centers. As this list is all inclusive, the CAO will need to review the "type of ownership" and "Activity (Added On) - Client Capacity - License Status" columns to determine if the facility meets the non-profit, non-hospital drug and alcohol treatment center requirement for residents to ascertain food stamp benefits. The FSH **has been** updated to reflect this requirement.