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Policy Clarifications - SNAP
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Subject: SNAP Request at Interview for Another Program

An application was received in the County Assistance Office (CAO) requesting an application for Medicaid. At the interview, the applicant states that he wishes to apply for SNAP also. Is a second application required? What is the effective date of eligibility?

Response By: Div. of Fed. Progs. and Prog. Management

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The policy at SNAPH 504.1 has been changed based on clarification received from FNS. This policy clarification reflects current policy. Policy Clarification PFS12692-504 is obsolete.

If the applicant submitted a PA 600:

- A second application is not required.
- If the applicant checked SNAP on the application when the application was originally submitted, the SNAP benefits should be prorated back to the date the application was received.
- If the applicant did not check SNAP and requests SNAP benefits at the interview, SNAP eligibility would start on the date of the request for benefits. The CAO should narrate this in the case comments or annotate the application as to the date of the SNAP request.

If the applicant submitted a Medicaid only application form (PA 600 C, PA 600M, COMPASS request for Medicaid or CASH only, etc.):

- A second application (either a PA 600 or PA 600 FSO) is required.
- The effective date for SNAP benefits would be the date the second application is submitted to the CAO.

The handbook will be updated to reflect this change.