

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Questions and Answers

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Question 1: Can anyone on Food Stamps (SNAP) be a participant of the program?

Answer: Yes. Provided they meet the following two criteria:

1. They are NOT in receipt of TANF; and
2. They are 18 years of age or 16 - 17 and not in high school.

* Each program may have additional criteria for participation in their respective programs such as a required reading or math level.

Question 2: Who set the employment criteria?

Answer: OTDA set the employment criteria based on the current minimum wage and 30 hours per week employment.

Question 3: Our program currently has SNAP Ventures III. What can be used as a match? (To qualify for more funding)?

Answer: A current SNAP E&T Venture contractor can apply for SNAP Opportunities. The agency cannot use the same non-federal funds used for the Venture program to meet the non-federal funding requirement for SNAP Opportunities. An agency will have to find other funding that meets the non-federal funding criteria to be eligible.

Question 4: Our organization serves Immigrants who do not qualify to receive SNAP benefits but their children currently get SNAP benefits. Are the clients we serve eligible for the program?

Answer: No. In order to receive services, a participant must be an applicant for or recipient of SNAP benefits.