

Attachment N.16. Other Eligibility Certification and Benefit Issuance Errors Worksheet (SFA-2)

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OTHER ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATION AND BENEFIT ISSUANCE ERROR WORKSHEET INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL COMMENTS This form is used to record denied application errors, verification errors, and other household members certified or issued benefits in error whose eligibility or benefit issuance must be corrected as a result of the Certification and Benefit Issuance review.

If the review did not identify any of these errors, check [] N/A.

SFA Enter the name of the SFA being reviewed

STUDENT NAME Enter the student's name or other identifier such as student identification number or application number. When an identifier other than the student's name is used, adequate information must be provided to the SFA/school to identify the student(s) in error for corrective action purposes.

SCHOOL Enter the name of the school which the student in error attends.

ERROR TYPE Indicate the type of error. Use I.D. for Incorrectly Denied, V.E. for Verification Error, and O.H.M. for Other Household Member.

DESCRIPTION OF ERROR Describe the error.

Incorrectly Denied Application

Examples of incorrectly denied application errors include denying an application for a lack a signature when there was a valid signature, denying an application for lacking the SSN (last four digits) when the application contained the required SSN (last four digits), denying an application for missing income when the income was listed correctly, denying an application for having a missing case numbers (i.e. SNAP) when a case number was entered, and denying an application because of other information was determined to be missing but the application was complete.

Incorrectly denied applications also include: errors in gross income calculation, incorrectly calculating household size, incorrectly determining the frequency of income, not converting multiple income sources to annual income, not counting the correct number of household members, incorrect arithmetic, misclassifying reportable income, and other income computation errors.

Verification Error

Verification errors occur when the final determination of a verified application is incorrect based on verification documentation. Categorical eligibility errors in verification documentation include: invalid case numbers, categorical eligibility claims known to be false, and invalid categorical standards.

Gross income calculation errors in the verification process include: incorrectly calculating household size, incorrectly determining the frequency of receipt of income, not converting multiple income sources to annual income, not counting the child in the list of household members or counting the child twice, incorrect arithmetic, misclassifying reportable income, and other income computation errors.

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Other errors in the verification process include: any errors that are not included in the above categories that cause a change in eligibility determination or benefit level as identified by the SA.

Other Household Member

For other household members certified or issued benefits in error whose eligibility or benefit issuance must be corrected as a result of the Certification and Benefit Issuance review, record the certification or benefit issuance error.

Annual Income

The household provides annual income on the application but the circumstances surrounding the reporting of annualized income do not meet the special situations identified in the Eligibility Manual.

CORRECTIVE ACTION
REQUIRED

Enter the corrective action necessary to resolve the identified error.

DATE OF CORRECTIVE ACTION

Enter the date of corrective action.