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Summary

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ABD Applicant Referrals

- 1. Eligibility staff (PBS/WPS) determine financial eligibility for ABD cash applicants.
 - a. PBS/WPS finalize applications for financially eligible applicants age 65 or older. (See CSD Procedures Handbook: Pending an Application or Eligibility Review)
- Eligibility staff (PBS/WPS) refer financially eligible applicants to the Disability Specialist (DS). (See CSD Procedures Handbook: Information and Referrals)
 - a. PBS/WPS complete a DSHS 14-084 (Social Service Referral) at the time each applicant has been determined financially eligible.
- 3. The Disability Specialist (DS) receives and responds to ABD referrals. (See CSD Procedures Handbook: ABD Applicant Referrals and CSD Procedures Handbook: ABD Aged Referrals)
 - a. If an applicant is eligible for ABD based on non-SEP criteria described in <u>Disability</u> <u>Determination Non SEP Approvals</u>, the DS approves ABD prior to completing a Social Services Intake.

4. The DS reviews and follows any existing Equal Access (EA) Plan for each referred applicant.

Social Services Intake

<u>5.</u> The DS completes the Social Services <u>ABD</u> Intake in ICMS. (See CSD Procedures Handbook: Social Services Intake)

- a. It is a best practice to complete a Social Services Intake for all ABD applicants however it is not required to determine program eligibility.
- b. The DS does not deny an applicant based on the lack of a Social Services Intake.
- 2.—The DS creates a new EA Plan or updates an existing EA Plan for the applicant when needed. (See EA-Z Manual: Equal Access and CSD Procedures Handbook: Equal Access)
- 3.—The DS obtains a signed Interim Assistance Reimbursement Authorization (IARA) when the applicant has a current pending SSI application.

Related Procedures (Staff Only)

- Pending an Application or Eligibility Review
- Information and Referrals
- ABD Referrals
- <u>ABD Aged Referrals</u>
- Social Services ABD Intake
- Equal Access (Screening)