Region IV 2011 TANF Priority Update Workshop
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Session: TANF Data and Reporting

Frequently Asked Questions:

1. In the situation where a work support is counted as assistance and if this type of assistance is claimed as MOE, does a State have to report this on the SSP-MOE Data Report?
2. Can States use estimates for expenditures when the expenditures are made on behalf of the TANF program?
3. What are the coding distinctions for data element #29 for situations where an adult is removed from the grant as opposed to merely reducing the amount of assistance paid to the adult?
4. What is the appropriate family affiliation code for coding a noncustodial parent?
5. How do you code a parent that receives assistance with one family and is a noncustodial parent to another family?
6. What is the most appropriate way of coding recipients that receive disability benefits?
7. What are the various distinctions between all of the work participation status codes?
8. Do States have to report actual hours of participation or may the State report estimated or scheduled hours of recipient participation in work activities?
9. What hours should be reported for a If a teen parent who is married or a single teen head of household that maintains satisfactory attendance at a secondary school or the equivalent or is participating in education directly related to employment for at least 20 hours per week, what hours should be reported and should they be actual hours or required/estimated hours of participation?
10. Are there any specific reporting requirements related to non-custodial parents?
11. Can States round calculations of average weekly hours of participation?
12. If a recipient did not receive assistance for the review month in question, does a State have to report data on that recipient?
13. Can a State use sample data when reporting WPR data for supplemental reports if there are insufficient numbers of hours or engagement is limited in work activities beyond the allowable time limits?