

Department of Human Services  
Division of Family Development  
Advance Notice  
Clarification of Work First New Jersey Emergency Assistance Availability

To Whom It May Concern:

The New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development intends to propose amendments to the Work First New Jersey/Emergency Assistance (WFNJ/EA) eligibility criteria at N.J.A.C. 10:90-6.1. These amendments would require that all Adverse Action Notices denying EA benefits include the specific justification for such denials and would eliminate “Cause your own Homelessness” as a reason for denying such benefits. Additionally, these amendments expand the good cause exceptions for individuals who become homeless due to justifiable reasons beyond fault of their own.

Interested parties may submit informal comments on this advance notice within thirty (30) days of its publication on the Department of Human Service’s website. Please submit your informal comments to:

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You will also have a 60-day opportunity to submit formal comments on any actual proposed amendments subsequent to the publication of such proposal in the [New Jersey Register](#). Such proposal will also be published on the Department of Human Services’ website.