



# FAMILY INDEPENDENCE ADMINISTRATION

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## POLICY BULLETIN #06-133-ELI

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### FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH A MEDICAL ASSESSMENT

<b>Date:</b> September 22, 2006	<b>Subtopic(s):</b> FTR Medical Assessment
<p>  This procedure can now be accessed on the FIAweb.         </p> <p>           CNS notice will not be generated for <b>Y99</b>. A manual notice is required.         </p>	<p>           The purpose of this policy bulletin is to inform Job Center staff that code <b>N17</b> is no longer used to close/reject a case where the case head or legally responsible adult failed to comply with a medical assessment.         </p> <p>           When an individual who is the head of household fails to comply with a medical appointment/assessment, the household is deemed ineligible for public assistance.         </p> <p>           In the case of a two-parent household, if either parent claims a medical exemption and fails to comply with WeCARE, the PA case should be closed.         </p> <p>           In these instances, the Worker must initiate a case closing using public assistance (PA Closing/Reject) code <b>W11</b> (Failure to Keep Appointment for DSS Medical).         </p> <p>           A non-legally responsible adult or an adult that is not required to be part of the filing unit that claims a medical exemption and does not comply with the medical assessment is not eligible for public assistance. Therefore, the worker must initiate a line removal using Code <b>Y99</b> (Other–Manual Notice Required) for the noncompliant individual.         </p>

HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS PROCEDURE?  
 Call 718-557-1313 then press 2 at the prompt followed by 765 or  
 send an e-mail to *FIA Call Center*

The Welfare Management System (WMS) will generate the appropriate Client Notice System (CNS) notice containing the law(s) and regulation(s) that support the Agency's action. The notice will state that the participant failed to keep an appointment with the doctor the Agency referred him/her to (e.g., Failed to Report [FTR] to initial appointment) but will not indicate the area of infraction (e.g., Failed to Comply [FTC] with specialty exam, etc.). The area of infraction can be determined by the FTR/FTC action code entered in NYCWAY.

MA Rule

There is no work requirement for Medical Assistance (MA). A failure to report or comply without good cause with the Agency's efforts to verify an initial claim or reassessment of exempt status will not affect the noncompliant individual's MA eligibility.

FS Rule

A Food Stamp (FS) applicant/participant who claims a medical exemption and then fails to produce documentation to support the claim is deemed Work Rules Required and must be coded **WA**—Non-Public Assistance Food Stamps [NPA FS] Work Registration Required/Able Bodied Adult Without Dependents [ABAWD] or **WR**—Work Regulations Required.

*Effective Immediately*