



# FAMILY INDEPENDENCE ADMINISTRATION

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## POLICY BULLETIN #04-53-ELI

### EXTENSION OF AND CHANGES IN THE FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FAP)

<b>Date:</b> March 23, 2004	<b>Subtopic(s):</b> Food Stamps
<p> This procedure can now be accessed on the FIAweb.</p>	<p>The purpose of this bulletin is to inform staff that the Food Assistance Program (FAP) has been extended through September 2005. To be eligible for FAP, an individual must be a qualified alien who is either a victim of domestic violence <u>or</u> 60 years of age or older, born after 8/22/31. (Note: individuals born before 8/22/31 are eligible for federally funded Food Stamp [FS] Benefits.) In addition, individuals must also meet all of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Be ineligible for federally funded FS benefits solely because of alien rules. For example: an alien who has lived in the United States (U.S.) for seven (7) years, but gained qualified status only a year ago.</li><li>• Be a resident in the U.S. as of 8/22/96.</li><li>• Not have been absent from the U.S. for more than 90 days within the 12-month period preceding the date of application; <u>and</u></li><li>• Have applied for citizenship within 30 days of applying for FS benefits or, if ineligible for citizenship at that time, within 30 days of becoming eligible to apply for citizenship.</li></ul> <p>In order to identify FAP participants in WMS, a new indicator (code <b>F</b>) has been developed. To enter code <b>F</b> in WMS, the State has developed the FAP Indicator Data Entry Form (<b>LDSS-4840</b>) that must be completed for every individual who has been determined to be eligible for FAP. Once the <b>LDSS-4840</b> has been completed and data-entered, the <b>F</b> will be displayed in the WMS individual inquiry screen (<b>NQIN2A</b>).</p> <p><i>Effective Immediately</i></p>

HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS PROCEDURE?  
Call 718-557-1313 then press 2 at the prompt followed by 765 or  
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**Attachment:**

Forms can now be accessed through Print on Demand at all Job Centers.

**LDSS-4840** FAP Indicator Data Entry Form

FAP INDICATOR DATA ENTRY FORM  
(ITEM 353)

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ORIGINATING ID	
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DATE FORM PREPARED	

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CONTROL CLERK	DATE	CRT OPERATOR	DATE