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**CHILD CARE SUBSIDY ELIGIBILITY IF EITHER THE PARENT/GUARDIAN
 OR CHILD IS NOT ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

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<p><input type="checkbox"/> This procedure can now be accessed on the FIAweb.</p>	<p>The purpose of this policy bulletin is to clarify to staff the circumstances under which children qualify for child care subsidies through FIA.</p> <p>Any child who is in receipt of public assistance (PA) qualifies for the child care subsidy as long as his/her parent/guardian is working or engaged in a work-related activity, regardless of whether <u>or not</u> the parent/guardian is active on the PA case. In this instance the parent/guardian would be the payee for the PA child(ren) and be included in the food stamp household, if eligible.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Ms. Jones is the guardian of her grandchildren and is employed fulltime. Although she is not eligible for PA, she is eligible for a child care subsidy for her grandchildren who receive both PA and food stamps.</p> <p>Conversely, any parent/guardian in receipt of PA and engaged in a work-related activity qualifies for the child care subsidy, regardless of whether <u>or not</u> the child needing care is active on the PA case. For example:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Sam Roberts receives SSI and is not active on his dad's PA case but is included in the food stamp household. However, Mr. Roberts is eligible for a child care subsidy for Sam because Mr. Roberts is on PA and engaged in a work activity.</p> <p>The child care subsidy cannot be provided by FIA if <u>neither the child nor his/her parent/guardian is on PA, unless</u> the parent/guardian is employed and s/he or the child has received PA in at least three of the last six months.</p> <p>This is not a policy change.</p>

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