

CALFRESH (CF) PROGRAM

REQUEST FOR POLICY/REGULATION INTERPRETATION

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete items 1 - 10 on the form. Use a separate form for each policy interpretation request. If additional space is needed, please use the second page. Be sure to identify the additional discussion with the appropriate number and heading. Retain a copy of the CF 24 for your records.

- Questions from counties, including county Quality Control, must be submitted by the county CalFresh Coordinator and may be submitted directly to the CalFresh Policy analyst assigned responsibility for the county, with a copy directed to the appropriate CalFresh Policy unit manager.
- Questions from Administrative Law Judges may be submitted directly to the CalFresh Policy analyst assigned responsibility to the county where the hearing took place, with a copy of the form directed to the appropriate CalFresh Bureau unit manager.

1. RESPONSE NEEDED DUE TO: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy/Regulation Interpretation <input type="checkbox"/> QC <input type="checkbox"/> Fair Hearing <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	5. DATE OF REQUEST: 04/15/2013	NEED RESPONSE BY: 04/22/2013
2. REQUESTOR NAME: Randy Mano	6. COUNTY/ORGANIZATION: San Francisco County	
3. PHONE NO.: (415) 558-4128	7. SUBJECT: T-Visa Requirements	
4. REGULATION CITE(S): ACL 06-60; ACL 08-15; SB 1569	8. REFERENCES: (Include ACL/ACIN, court cases, etc. in references) NOTE: All requests must have a regulation cite(s) and/or a reference(s).	
9. QUESTION: (INCLUDE SCENARIO IF NEEDED FOR CLARITY):		

A recent intake application included an individual who is working with an agency to obtain a "T" Visa.

SB 1569 expands social service coverage to non-citizens subject to trafficking, domestic abuse, or other violent crimes.

Are "T" Visa applicants required to submit proof of a "T" Visa application prior to authorizing CalFresh benefits, as part of the SB 1569 measure?

10. REQUESTOR'S PROPOSED ANSWER:
<p>**Our proposed answer is that the individual does not need to submit proof of a "T" Visa application prior to being approved for CalFresh benefits.**</p>
<p>ACL 06-60 outlines the procedures for CalFresh applicants who may be eligible for "T" or "U" Visas. The CWD may permit a sworn statement, from either the individual or an agency helping the individual, to show the intent of applying for a "T" Visa.</p>
<p>ACL 08-15 confirms that applicants eligible for a "U" Visa must present evidence that they have filed for a "U" Visa, or already have one.</p>
11. STATE POLICY RESPONSE (CFPB USE ONLY):

The state concurs with the proposed response. As stated in ACL 13-25 dated April 18, 2013, for a trafficking victim to be eligible for CalFresh, must: submit a sworn statement that she/he is a victim of a severe form of human trafficking; and is preparing to file an application for a T-Visa; or has filed an application for a T-Visa that has not been denied; or is otherwise taking steps to meet federal conditions for federal benefits; or is a person who's continued presence has been requested by federal law enforcement because she/he is assisting in the investigation of prosecution of human traffickers.

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