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**TANF Ineligibility Notice**

Your Temporary Assistance to Needy Families is being changed to       effective       as       is in violation of the suspicion based drug policy.       will remain ineligible for cash assistance until they meet the requirements as listed below.

[ ]  This is the first positive drug test.       will be ineligible for cash assistance until successful completion of substance abuse treatment and job skills training.

[ ]  This is the second positive drug test.       is ineligible for cash assistance a minimum of twelve months and is required to successfully complete substance abuse treatment and jobs skills training.

[ ]  This is the third positive drug test.       is ineligible for cash assistance for their lifetime.

[ ]  This is the first failure/refusal to drug test.       is ineligible for cash assistance for six months. In order to regain eligibility for cash assistance,       will need to undergo drug testing, and if required, treatment and job skills training.

[ ]  This is the second failure/refusal to drug test.       is ineligible for cash assistance for twelve months. In order to regain eligibility for cash assistance,       will need to undergo drug testing, and if required, treatment and job skills training.

[ ]  This is the third failure/refusal to drug test.       is ineligible for cash assistance in their lifetime.

[ ]  Enrollment information for substance abuse treatment and job skills training is listed below. Enrollment may be done at any time. However, until the treatment and skills training requirements are successfully completed,       will not be eligible for cash assistance. Please note that all households are required to complete the minimum ineligibility period.

[ ]  A referral has been made for enrollment for substance abuse treatment. An appointment can be made by contacting:

Skills training can be arranged with the substance abuse treatment site, or you can contact your local office work programs case manager.

You no longer have access to your cash assistance benefit on the EBT benefit card.

Therefore, you are required to name a protective payee to access your benefits and pay your expenses. A protective payee is required by law. Your payee will assure the remaining household members’ needs are met. The payee is responsible to pay your housing expenses, including utilities. Other expenses for your household may come from your cash assistance also. A protective payee form is being mailed to you. This form needs to be signed by the payee in front of a notary at your local DCF office. If you cannot name a suitable protective payee, contact the local office to assist you. Protective payees are also subject to suspicion based drug testing at their own expense. If this person tests positive, or fails to undergo testing, they are not a suitable protective payee.

If you wish to have a second opinion on the results of the drug sample, you may contact the testing site and request a different lab examine the original sample. You will be responsible for the cost of this retest. If the results are determined to be a false positive, the state of Kansas will reimburse you. In order to be reimbursed, you will need to provide the invoice to your local DCF office.

This is based on KEESM Section 2260 and subsections      .

Please read the back of this notice. It has important information. It tells you about your right to a fair hearing.

If you have questions, call       at       between the hours of      .