

Summary and Analysis of Engagement in Additional Activities for Quarter 2

Under H.R. 4783 (P.L. 111-29), the Claims Resolution Act of 2010, each State agency, the District of Columbia, and the Territories are required to submit this report for the month of March 2011 and for the months of April, May, and June, 2011. The March report is due no later than May 31, 2011. The April - June report is due no later than August 31, 2011.

The “Engagement in Additional Work Activities” report will contain the following information for each work-eligible individual in a family receiving assistance during a specified reporting period: whether the individual engages in any activities directed toward attaining self-sufficiency during a month occurring in the reporting period, and if so, the specific activities that do not qualify as a work activity under section 407(d) but that are otherwise reasonably calculated to help the family move toward self-sufficiency; or that are of a type that would be counted toward the State participation rates under section 407 but for the fact that the work-eligible individual did not engage in sufficient hours of the activity; the work-eligible individual has reached the maximum time limit allowed for having participation in the activity counted toward the State’s work participation rate; or the number of work-eligible individuals engaged in such activity exceeds a limitation under such section. Also, the report must include documentation of the principal reason or reasons for non-participation if the individual has no hours of participation.

The State agency should collect and report data for each family with one or more work-eligible individuals, as reported on the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Data Report and on the Separate State Program – Maintenance of Effort (SSPMOE) Data Report for the report month.

For a State that submits the TANF Data Report and the SSPMOE Data Report for all cases receiving assistance for a report month, the State has the option to submit this report for the entire caseload or submit this report based on a sample. If a State opts to report based on a sample, a separate monthly sample must be selected for TANF cases and, if applicable, for SSPMOE cases each month. Virginia has opted to use the sample option and submit a sample of 175 TANF cases as well as 175 SSPMOE cases.

SSPMOE

We selected a sample of 175 cases each month from work-eligible individuals that received a VIEW Transitional Payment in April, May, or June, 2011. The total number of work-eligible individuals who received a VIEW Transitional Payment was 2107 for April, 2067 for May, and 2064 for June. There are 120 local departments of social services in Virginia. The number of agencies represented across the state (also referred to as FIPS) was 57 for April, 60 for May, and 61 for June.

These individuals are recipients of a VIEW Transitional Payment (VTP). The individual is eligible for a VTP when the TANF case has been closed and the individual was employed at least 30 hours per week at minimum wage or higher at the time of the case closure. The employment must be verified at the time of the TANF case closure and at a review six months

later. If the individual remains eligible for the VTP, a payment can be issued for up to 12 months after the closure of the TANF case. Due to established criteria for receipt of a VTP, these individuals are engaged in sufficient hours to meet the participation requirements for Federal Work Participation. These individuals are not assigned to any additional work activities during the VTP period.

TANF

We selected a sample of 175 cases each month from work-eligible individuals that received TANF in April, May, or June, 2011. Information regarding the data for each of these months is as follows:

[Sample 04-2011](#)

[Sample 05-2011](#)

[Sample 06-2011](#)

[Second Quarter 2011 Totals](#)

[Averages for Second Quarter 2011](#)

This report does not change the measures of total engagement in work activities from what was reported by the State in the quarterly report submitted under subsection (a) for the comparable period.

The most common activity is Job Search and Job Readiness Assistance completed by individuals who have already reached the maximum countable hours for the 12-month period.