

DISPLACED HOMEMAKER

A person who is eligible for Minnesota displaced homemaker services. To be eligible a person must meet all of the following:

- Was the primary caregiver in a home for at least 2 years, while working less than full-time outside the home.
- During that time was supported by another person or public assistance.
- Lost that source of support through death, disability, divorce, legal separation, or becoming ineligible for public assistance.
- Is currently unemployed or underemployed and having difficulty finding employment adequate to support the person and his/her dependents.

DISQUALIFIED PERSON

A person who is ineligible for ASSISTANCE due to non-cooperation with a program requirement. The length of disqualification may vary depending on which program provisions the person violated or failed to comply with.

DISQUALIFY

To make a person ineligible for ASSISTANCE because of non-cooperation with a program requirement.

DISREGARD

An amount of income which is excluded in determining NET INCOME.

DIVERSIONARY WORK PROGRAM (DWP)

DWP is a short-term, work focused program for families applying for cash benefits. It provides a maximum of 4 consecutive months in a 12-month period, of necessary services and supports to families which will lead to unsubsidized employment, increase economic stability, and reduce the risk of needing longer term assistance under MFIP. See [0013.05 \(DWP Bases of Eligibility\)](#).

DIVERSITY IMMIGRANT

See [0031.09 \(Lawful Permanent Residents\)](#).

DIVERSITY VISA

See [0031.09 \(Lawful Permanent Residents\)](#).

DIVIDEND

The amount of the profit distribution a shareholder receives, or the amount of the surplus distribution a policyholder of a participating insurance policy receives.

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

Written VERIFICATION confirming information on the UNIT's circumstances.

DOCUMENTATION

A written statement or record that substantiates or validates an assertion made by a person or an action taken by a person, agency, or entity.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

See FAMILY VIOLENCE in [0002.23 \(Glossary: Fair Hearing...\)](#).

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER

MFIP, DWP, GA : A public or private non-profit crisis shelter, housing network, or other shelter facility providing services to people and families with children who are facing domestic violence issues.

SNAP: A public or private residential facility that serves battered people and their children. If the facility serves other people, a part of the facility must be set aside on a long-term basis to serve only battered people and children.

DOMESTIC VOLUNTEER SERVICE ACT

Federal law authorizing the Foster Grandparent Program, National Senior Volunteer Corps, Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, Senior Companion Program, VISTA, Volunteers in Service to America and University Year for Action. For more information, see [0017.15.78 \(National and Community Service Programs\)](#).

DRUG ABUSE

GA : A pattern of inappropriate and harmful chemical use. It includes inappropriate and harmful patterns of chemical use that are linked to specific situations in a person's life such as loss of a job, death of a loved one, or sudden change in life circumstances. It does not involve a pattern of pathological use, but it may progress to pathological use.

DRUG ADDICTION OR ALCOHOLIC TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION PROGRAM

SNAP : A drug addiction or alcoholic treatment and rehabilitation program conducted by a private, nonprofit organization or institution, or a publicly operated community mental health center, under Part B of Title XIX of the Public Health Service Act. Part B of Title XIX of the Public Health Service Act defines these facilities as meeting the criteria which would make it eligible to receive funds, even if it does not actually receive this funding.

For the SNAP E&T Work Registration Exemption, a drug addiction or alcoholic treatment and rehabilitation program conducted by a non-profit organization or institution and licensed by the Department of Human Services (DHS) or the Minnesota Department of Health, unless they are on Indian reservations. Programs operating on Indian reservations must be tax exempt and funded by the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAA) or formerly funded through the NIAA and transferred to Indian Health Services (IHS) funding. See [0004 \(Emergencies\)](#) and [0028.06.12 \(Who Is Exempt From the SNAP General Work Rules\)](#).

DRUG DEPENDENCY

GA : A pattern of pathological use, accompanied by the physical manifestations of increased tolerance to the chemical(s) being used or withdrawal syndrome after cessation of chemical use. It includes a pattern of pathological use accompanied by the physical manifestations of increased tolerance to the chemical(s) being used or withdrawal syndrome after cessation of chemical use, which has been interrupted by a period of incarceration or hospitalization.

DWP

See DIVERSIONARY WORK PROGRAM.