DCSE Policy & Procedures Unit Policy Update PPU 06-04-003

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SUBJECT: Update on Tribal TANF Programs

Please contact the Policy Unit if you have any questions regarding these or any other changes at *DCSE-POLICYQUESTIONS, CSE.POLICY or (602) 274-7951.

The IV-D PARTNERS should send POLICY inquiries directly to *DCSE-POLICYQUESTIONS@azdes.gov

The following Arizona Indian tribes are now administering their own tribal TANF programs, but they continue to utilize the IV-A AZTECS system to determine eligibility. DCSE does not currently have Intergovernmental Agreements with any of the tribes listed below:

- 1. Salt River Pima
- 2. White Mountain Apache
- 3. Hopi
- 4. Pascua Yaqui

The tribal TANF cases and monthly tribal grant amounts will not interface to ATLAS and they have been blocked through the IV-A Interface process.

- Hopi TANF cases have been blocked since October 2003
- All other tribes were blocked in November 2005

Tribal TANF participants are not required to complete the TANF precompliance process with DCSE to receive their cash benefits. If tribal TANF participants want to receive IV-D services, they must complete an *Application for Title IV-D Services* and then DCSE will set up a case and it will be coded as Never Assistance.

DCSE Policy and Systems are working with FAA Policy and Systems to identify and clean up the existing tribal TANF cases on ATLAS.

The identifier for Tribal TANF is displayed on the Welfare Reform (WERE) screen in AZTECS. The identifiers are as follows:

- 1. Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community = X
- 2. White Mountain Apache=W
- 3. Hopi = L
- 4. Pascua Yaqui = P

NOTE: The Navajo Nation administers their own tribal TANF program but they do NOT utilize AZTECS to determine eligibility. Therefore, DCSE does not have any interface with the Navajo Nation TANF program.