

Understanding the Limited Benefit Plan

Before you can receive FIP cash payments, you must cooperate with PROMISE JOBS, a program that increases employment and training opportunities. You must meet with a PROMISE JOBS worker and sign a Family Investment Agreement. The Family Investment Agreement is your plan to help you and your family become self-supporting.

How a Limited Benefit Plan Is Chosen

After you begin receiving FIP payments, you must follow through with the steps of your Family Investment Agreement. If you do not follow through with your Family Investment Agreement, you will have chosen a Limited Benefit Plan.

If you are receiving FIP and you get a letter saying that you must begin to cooperate with PROMISE JOBS, you can choose a Limited Benefit Plan by:

- ◆ Not making and keeping your appointment with PROMISE JOBS, or
- ◆ Not signing a Family Investment Agreement after attending your appointment with PROMISE JOBS.

If you choose a Limited Benefit Plan for the first time:

- ◆ Your FIP benefits will stop right away.
- ◆ You **cannot** get FIP for the following people:
 - Yourself
 - Your children
 - Your children's other parent living in the home
 - Any other child on the case who is in your care
- ◆ You can change your mind at any time. If you want to get back on FIP you must:
 - Reapply for FIP
 - Sign a new Family Investment Agreement
- ◆ The earliest your FIP benefits can begin is the date you sign your Family Investment Agreement.

If you or the other parent in your home chooses a Limited Benefit Plan again:

- ◆ Your FIP benefits will stop right away. You cannot get FIP for at least six months.
- ◆ You **cannot** get FIP for the following people:
 - Yourself
 - Your children
 - Your children's other parent living in the home
 - Any other child on your case who is in your care
- ◆ You **cannot** get out of this Limited Benefit Plan until the six-month period ends.
- ◆ After the six-month period ends, if you want to get back on FIP you must:
 - Reapply for FIP,
 - Sign a new Family Investment Agreement, and
 - Complete 20 hours of work or other approved PROMISE JOBS activities.
- ◆ The earliest your FIP benefits can begin is the date you sign your new Family Investment Agreement. You will not be eligible for FIP until you complete the 20 hours of approved PROMISE JOBS work activity.

Note: If the person choosing the Limited Benefit Plan is the only child in the family, FIP benefits for the parent will also stop.

**If you have problems following your FIA,
talk to your PROMISE JOBS worker immediately.**