UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Washington, DC 20250

For: FSA and RMA Employees

Benefit Eligibility for Certain Employees on Temporary Appointments and Seasonal and Intermittent Schedules

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1 Overview

A Background

In accordance with notice PM-2926, "Federal Employee Health Benefits (FEHB) Program Eligibility Modification for Certain Temporary, Seasonal, and Intermittent Employees", 5 CFR 890.301 modified eligibility for temporary, seasonal, and intermittent employees.

The regulatory modification includes eligibility for:

- Federal Employee's Health Benefits (FEHB),
- Flexible Spending Accounts for Federal Employees (FSAFEDS), and

Note: Go to www.fsafeds.com for information and enrollment.

• Federal Long-Term Care Insurance Program (FLTCIP).

Note: Go to www.ltcfeds.com for information and enrollment.

B Purpose

This notice provides:

- clarification for temporary, seasonal, and intermittent employees who were identified as full-time employees that are eligible to enroll in an FEHB plan and receive the same government contribution as full-time permanent employees,
- who is eligible to enroll in FEHB, FSAFEDS, and FLTCIP,
- who is not eligible to enroll in Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance (FEGLI) or Federal Employee Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP), and
- action **required after** notification of eligibility to enroll in FSAFEDS and/or FLTCIP, as applicable.

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2 Regulatory Modification

A Eligibility Under 5 CFR 890.301 Modification

Certain temporary, seasonal, and intermittent employees, who were identified as full-time employees eligible to enroll in an FEHB plan and receive the same government contribution as full-time permanent employees are eligible to enroll in FSAFEDS and FLTCIP, but are **not** eligible to enroll in FEGLI or FEDVIP.

B Eligible Employee Action

Eligible temporary, seasonal, and intermittent employees **must** visit the following FSAFEDS and FLTCIP benefit program web sites to complete their enrollment within the 60-calendar-day period **after receiving notification of their enrollment eligibility**.

For information regarding FSAFEDS, which is an account where employees contribute money from their salary **before** taxes are withheld and then they are reimbursed for their out-of-pocket health care and dependent care expenses, go to **www.fsafeds.com**.

For information regarding FLTCIP, which is for long term care that employees may need if they can no longer perform everyday tasks, activities of daily living by themselves, because of a chronic illness, injury, disability, or the aging process, go to **www.ltcfeds.com**.

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FSA state and county offices	state office, Administrative Division.

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