

## 25.2 AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

To operate the FSE&T Program, the **DHHR** Worker and the FSE&T Worker are responsible for duties as outlined in this section. Referrals are made **to the FSE&T Worker** through RAPIDS. The focus of the FSE&T Worker is on providing non-exempt ABAWDs with opportunities to meet the work requirement. They may work with other mandatory and volunteer Food Stamp recipients who request to participate and who are referred to them by a **DHHR** Worker.

### A. **DHHR** WORKER RESPONSIBILITIES

The Income Maintenance Worker is responsible for:

- Processing Food Stamp applications and determining eligibility;
- Management of the Food Stamp case;
- Determining work registration exemptions;
- Making decisions on determination of exemption from participation based on recommendations from the FSE&T **Worker**;
- Informing those exempt from registration that it is possible to volunteer for FSE&T;
- Referring the case to the FSE&T Worker through RAPIDS;
- Referring exempt ABAWDs and other **individuals subject to the Food Stamp work requirements to BEP**
- Determination of failure to comply with FSE&T requirements and good cause, if applicable, and all required notifications; **and**
- Representing the Department in hearings, pre-hearing conferences and providing testimony and documentation.

### B. FSE&T WORKER RESPONSIBILITIES

**The FSE&T Worker is responsible for:**

- Accept referrals for non-exempt mandatory ABAWDs and volunteers who request FSE&T services;
- Notification of appointments for orientation/enrollment, initial assessment, and development of the Personal Responsibility Plan (PRP);
- Screening and scheduling clients for FSE&T activities;

- Supporting and following up on FSE&T activities, including reviews of contact reports or participation documentation;
- Data entry into RAPIDS of appropriate reporting for all FSE&T cases after referral;
- Preparing information for the Department for hearings and pre-hearing conferences and providing testimony as appropriate.
- Notifying **DHHR** Worker when FSE&T participant is out of compliance with program requirements **with the FSE&T Notification form, DFA-FSE&T-2; and**
- Completing a monthly report which lists ABAWD individuals served in the third month of eligibility and the amount of money spent for each individual.

Non-exempt ABAWDS, other mandatory registrants, and volunteers may all be served. Individuals who meet the definition of a non-exempt ABAWD must be given priority.

For ABAWDS, a placement must be offered during the first full month of eligibility.

Individuals who are exempt from the ABAWD time limits, but who are **subject to the Food Stamp work requirement**, must meet the FS work requirement. This is the responsibility of the **DHHR** Worker, unless the individual volunteers for FSE&T services. When an individual volunteers, the FSE&T Worker **must** serve the training needs of that individual in the same manner as a non-exempt ABAWD.