



INFORMATION AND FACTS ABOUT

WORK REQUIREMENTS

What are Work Requirements?

In Accordance to Federal and District law, TANF customers are required to participate in work-related activities.

What is Considered a Work Activity?

Core work activities include:

- Paid Employment
- Work Experience
- Unsubsidized employment (public and private sector)
- On-the-job-training
- Vocational Education Training
- Job Preparation
- Job Search
- Community Service Programs
- Child Care Services for another TANF recipient

Non-core activities include:

- Education: GED Classes, Adult Basic Education, College
- Job Skills Training
- Education Directly Related to Employment

Who is Required to Do a Work Activity?

Single Parent Families: A single-parent family head of household with a child under the age of six, must participate for at least 20 hours per week in a **core** activity. A single-parent family head of household with a child age six or older must participate for at least 30 hours per week in a **core** activity.

For those single-parent customers required to participate a total of 30 hours per week, the customer must register at least 20 hours in one or more of the core activities and can fulfill the remaining 10 hours in a **non-core** activity.

Two Parent Families: A two-parent family head of household must participate or a total of 35 hours per week, with at least 30 of those hours attributed to one of the **core** activities. The remaining five hours may be supplemented with a **non-core** activity.

If a child in a two-parent family receives subsidized child care, both parents are required to participate in activities.

Are There any Exceptions?

Yes. Customers who need to increase their educational or vocational skills levels are encouraged to do so (on an individual basis) as a core activity.

Customers who need barrier removal services follow the steps included in their case plans or IRP to satisfy work requirements.

For more information about Work Requirements, please call the Family Assessment and Resource Center at (202) 698-1860

