2.2.1 List of Criteria

In order to be nonfinancially eligible for W-2 services and JALs for any month, an applicant or participant must meet the following criteria. For eligibility information regarding minor parents, noncustodial parents, pregnant women and pregnant women with at-risk pregnancies, see <u>7.5.2</u>, <u>7.5.1</u>, <u>7.5.3</u>, and <u>7.4.6</u> respectively. For information on verifying the following criteria, see <u>Chapter 4</u>.

No change to criteria 1-13

Apply for or provide a SSN for all W-2 Group members, <u>unless exempt.</u> (See <u>2.7.1</u>)

No change to remainder of 2.2.1

2.7.1 Providing Social Security Numbers

Every member of the W-2 Group including newborns, must provide a Social Security Number (SSN), or provide proof that any W-2 Group member without an SSN has applied for one, <u>unless the member does not have an SSN, does not have work</u> <u>authorization, and is a member of one of the following qualified non-citizen groups:</u>

- Cuban/Haitian entrants, as defined in section 501(e) of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980; or
- 2. Certified, foreign-born victims of trafficking; or
- <u>3. Parolees (alien paroled into the U.S. for at least one year under section 212(d)(5) of</u> the Immigration and Nationality Act); or
- 4. Certain battered aliens who meet the requirements of 8 USC 1641(c).

See<u>4.1.2</u> for suggested sources of allowable verification.

If the W-2 agency determines that a <u>non-exempt</u> W-2 Group member has refused to provide or apply for an SSN, the entire W-2 Group is ineligible for W-2.

No change to remainder of 2.7.1