9.3.2 Payment Eligibility and Uses

Payment Eligibility

To be eligible, participants must be:

- In a <u>CSJ</u> placement, <u>CMC</u> placement, or <u>W-2 T</u> placement, <u>ARP</u>, or <u>TEMP</u> placement;
- In the period prior to their first scheduled W-2 payment; and
- Experiencing a need.

W-2 agencies must determine eligibility during the initial informal assessment. When possible, payments should be used in conjunction with other supports available to participants, including the Emergency Assistance program, but it is not required.

Family stabilization payments do not use a month of <u>TANF</u> assistance and do not count as an additional W-2 benefit.

Participants can receive no more than four family stabilization payments within 12 months. Participants can only receive one family stabilization payment per W-2 episode.

--no further changes to this section--