

CHAPTER 48
PROMOTING AWARENESS OF THE BENEFITS OF A HEALTHY MARRIAGE

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441—48.1(234) Definitions.

“*Asset*” means the same as defined in Iowa Code section 239.1 to the extent it is consistent with 7 CFR 273.8 as amended to March 1, 2025.

“*SNAP*” means the supplemental nutrition assistance program under 441—Chapter 65.
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441—48.2(234) Eligibility criteria. Eligibility for the promoting awareness of the benefits of a healthy marriage program is always determined in conjunction with determination of eligibility for SNAP.

48.2(1) Application. There is no separate application for the program. Eligibility for the program is determined whenever the department determines a household’s eligibility for SNAP.

48.2(2) Resources. The maximum allowed household asset limit for the program is \$15,000. Resources shall be counted in accordance with Iowa Code section 239.4(1).

48.2(3) Income. The household’s gross countable monthly income determined according to 441—Chapter 65 must be less than or equal to 160 percent of the current federal poverty guidelines for the household size. The income eligibility limits as described in this subrule are revised each October 1 to reflect the annual adjustment to the federal poverty guidelines.

48.2(4) Otherwise eligible for SNAP. The household must meet all eligibility criteria for SNAP except as provided in this rule. A household that includes a member who is currently disqualified from SNAP due to an intentional program violation is not eligible for the program.

48.2(5) Minimum SNAP benefit. The household must be eligible for a monthly SNAP benefit greater than zero. Households with a monthly SNAP benefit of zero are not eligible for the program.
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441—48.3(234) Notice and eligibility period. A household that meets all of the eligibility criteria in this chapter will receive written notice of its eligibility for the promoting awareness of the benefits of a healthy marriage program.

48.3(1) Written information. Households determined eligible for the program will receive written information about the benefits of a healthy and stable marriage.

48.3(2) Eligibility period. A household that is determined eligible for the program will remain eligible for the program until the earlier of the following events:

- a. The household fails to meet the eligibility criteria under this chapter, or
- b. The household’s SNAP certification period under 441—Chapter 65 ends.

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