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QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

1. T48 Code 19 = Required to participate meeting minimum requirements (32 hrs). Entered 15 hours in T54 and no edit was produced. (Riverside)
Edit to be developed.
2. T19 Amount of child support. Does this include the disregard? (Riverside)
Yes.
3. Any item without an on screen definition, should the former definition be used? (San Bernardino)
Definitions will be included for class items.
4. T44 Handbook and on screen definition indicates Federal time count began 12/1/96. County state actual date is 11/1/96. (San Joaquin)
The correct Federal Time count should begin with 12/1/96. First payment was issued 12/96.
5. T4812 & T4839 definitions are not on screen. (San Bernardino)
Definitions have been included.
6. Edits 0054 – 0068 should indicate you must enter zeros. (San Bernardino)
Corrections have been made to reflect entering zeros.
7. T21B when counting months are zero based grants part of the count? (San Diego)
(Warren will research)
8. QDS needs an icon identifier and a minimize button. (San Bernardino)
Focus does not allow that feature.
9. T38 when coded 11 (unrelated adult/child in common) produced edit 0033. (San Bernardino)
Code 11 has been deleted.
10. T26A3 – 26A3A indicate they must be answered. The on screen and handbook definitions indicate “make no entry”. (Monterey)
The QDS will be changes to reflect, make no entry, as these items are not applicable in California.
11. T26C3 – 26C3A same as above.
The QDS will be changes to reflect, make no entry, as these items are not applicable in California.
12. T38 can be coded with adults as both head of household or both as spouse. No edit is produced. (Kern)

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Will build an edit as only one adult in AU must be coded 01.

13. Is the two-parent family included in the all parent overall rate (T4812 code 1)? T4839 is code 2 “Yes, two-parent rate not used”. Can this be changed to “Two-parent rate not used” eliminating the word yes? The two “yes's” are confusing.
Changes are currently being discussed.
14. T48 code 06 and 17 should these refer to a child under 6 years? (Santa Clara)
No, it's correct as it is.
15. Edit 0018 indicates there is an item T33 (Social Security). There is no item 33. (Santa Clara)
This item has been corrected.
16. Facesheet (People) screen has the legend explaining groups at the bottom. Groups C & D should be eliminated from the screen. (Ventura)
Groups C & D will be eliminated from the screen.
17. Statements of Facts (or a new state form) should include racial/ethnicity question for each member of the AU; an education level for each member should also be implemented. (Ventura)
Changes to Statement of Facts are currently under way.
18. What if there is more than one deprivation factor, “Family Level” data will only allow one? (San Francisco)
Use the deprivation for the youngest child. Not doing QC.
19. T34A –34F should self-populate the “No's” after the appropriate “Yes” has been selected.
Working on adding "No's" after "Yes" has been selected.
20. Why does the user have to see the code numbers with the description on classes like T48? (Ventura)
Definitions are on the screen to assist in clarification.
21. 1)Why do we have code 10 in item T38 if we don't care about people not in the AU? 2) Why doesn't T30 have a category for non AU members? (San Francisco)
***Non AU members should not be included on the facesheet.
Because the Federal Regulations have a Code 10, which would be used by an unrelated adult with child.***
22. If person is not participating in a work activity (T48) all the questions should self-populate with “No's”. (Ventura)
Currently under discussion.

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23. Cash resources, etc. are required for the sample month (per definition handbook). Do we use old info from case record? (Ventura)
It will be necessary to use all available Agency Records.
24. T67B Does this refer to born on CalWORK's or on AFDC? We need a definition. (Ventura)
CalWORKs, definition is now included.
25. What type of reports for statistical purposes will the QDS have? (Ventura)
Information unavailable at this time.
26. Does it matter for federal edit 3015 which adult in the household is coded? (Only one adult can be entered) (Ventura)
Only one adult can be coded as the adult in the household, since a two-parent case would probably not be included in the QDS case list.
27. T66 an undocumented child was coded 4 (not in AU) and everything else left Blank produced a page of edits. Why do we need to fill in this info? (Ventura)
An edit will be developed.
28. Why doesn't screens default to showing item numbers? (Ventura)
The nature of the program does not allow for this.
29. Definitions Handbook should include a description/definition of what is an "A" for adult and "B" for children. (From entire group)
Definitions/Handbook page 2 includes Adult designation of Facesheet. On the people index of the Facesheet, the letter "A" identifies the Adult. A Child included on the people index of the Facesheet is shown by the letter "B".

In addition on Class TANI "T" Zero there is a designation of Definitions/Instructions, which is for information only and by clicking on the definition icon you will receive additional instructions..
30. Definitions Handbook should include a definition of what constitutes the "case record". (From entire group)
Agency records are any place where the data can be obtained. Each county may hold the information in different areas for example: Gain file, Maintenance file, or a County Computer System. You are not limited to a case file record.
31. The question was asked, "how do you code any given item if there is absolutely no case record information?" (Question from L. Falwell).
Federal Regulations requires that data be reported. Each reviewer must make a concerted effort to secure and obtain the information required. The reviewer is to pursue all ways to obtain the information.

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32. Definitions Handbook should include a specific statement indicating that “home visits, telephone calls, mail, or any other type of client contact is no longer necessary”. If this is not to be included in the handbook then some other type of official communication indicating the above. (From the entire group).
CalWORKs data collection activity does not require or mandate home visits, telephone calls, mail, or contact with client.
33. Can Definitions Handbook have notations, were applicable, were interrelated items are identified.
Definition Handbook will be modified to include notation of interrelated items where applicable.
34. Joeana brought the following concern to the following items but I believe the final response can perhaps be applied throughout the entire profile. Based on Joeana’s observation of the group and her own experimentation, she is suggesting the following; items T48-Work Participation Status, T4839-Parent w/Minor Child in Family, and T4812-Type of Family for Work Participation, in the pull down menu code screens, need revision. If a given code can not be fully described, then perhaps the code number code could still be listed but it’s corresponding meaning should be referenced to the hard copy of the definition handbook. Joeana believes this might insure the highest level of accuracy and the least amount of confusion from the staff.
Tools are available to provide full explanation of codes. The abbreviations are used to assist in selecting the right code after you are familiar with their meaning.
35. If during the review of the case record, you discover that either an undocumented parent or a drug felon should be added, how do you code these individuals? Or do you even add them? From Hopi Rios
Do not add anyone on the facesheet, even a parent that is found in a case record.
36. Item T8-Funding Stream. Hopi Rios asked the following: if the case is correctly identified as a FEDERAL case, but you make determination that the funding stream is STATE FUNDED and therefore you use code 02-“Funded w/State Funds only”, does this mean that the review is coded as “2-Not subject to Data Collection” in item T9-Disposition?
Would have to be coded 2-Not Subject to Data Collection .
37. Item T11-Number of Family Members. Definition question. Contra Costa Co., indicated that the definition provides for a definition of “assistance”. Within that portion of the definition of assistance there is line that say’s “...and other forms of benefits designed to meet a family’s ongoing basic needs for food, clothing, shelter, utilities, household goods, personal care items and general incidental expenses”. Contra Costa Co. would like to know what “other forms of benefits” mean.

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Any other on going benefits, vouchers, vendor payments, or assistance as delivered by CalWORKs agency.

38. Item T19-Amount of Child Support. Definition question. Ana Marie of Contra Costa Co. wants to know if the amount would include the pass through (not the \$50 disregard), but actual amounts (I believe she simply didn't understand the definition).
((Warren will research))
39. Item T21B-Number of Months Received Grant. Joeana (and also the entire group), The definition is indicating that you count back to December 1996. Is this a change as all the group members and Joeana indicated that the count is currently established from November 1996
December 1996 is the correct entry.
40. Items T22A-TANF Child Care Amount, T22B-TANF Children Covered, and T22C-TANF Number of Months. Definition question. Hopi Rios wants to know for these question the following: what is the definition of employment as it relates to these questions. Do you include only the number of months the parent(s) was unemployed if these were not consecutive. Whose employment do you count i.e. the undoc-parent who is working.
You would count a single caretaker relative who is not employed, even if not consecutively.
41. Item T30-Family Affiliation. Definition question from Hopi Rios. For code 2-Par(Not in AU) of minor child, does this mean a "sanctioned person without income". For code 5-does this mean a "sanctioned person with income"
(Warren will research))
42. Item T41-Education Level. L. Falwell of FOB and Kathy of Contra Costa Co. asked this definition/policy question. If the child only completed "PK" or "k" as of review date, how do you code? Do you use code "01-Completed through Grade 01" (which is what is recommended) or do you use code "98-No Formal Education"?
The case would be coded "98-No Formal Education"
43. Item T48-Work Participation Status. Definition question from Hopi Rios. Hopi wants to know if codes 14 & 18 means the same or if they are different how are they different.
(Code 14 means client is required to participate but is not and Code 18 is participating and is not enough hours.. (Warren will amplify))
44. Item T48-Work Participation Status. Definition question from Hopi Rios. Hopi wants to know for codes 17 & 19, which code takes precedence if you have an adult that meets the criteria of both codes.
Code whatever is in the case. Use Code 17 if there is a child less than six years of age with 20 hours of participation. (Warren will amplify).

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45. Item T48-Work Participation Status. Definition question from Hopi Rios. Hopi wants to know if for codes 02 & 13 if there is any actual difference and if so what is the difference.
Definition changes will be made.
46. Related child or adult receiving SSI, do we collect data on them.
Yes.
47. T36B Title Non-Social Security Act. If you don't list people who receive SSA or SSI why are we asking these questions?
Answer only if related and income is being considered.
48. What is the difference in T13 Subsidized Housing. {Public Housing, Rent Subsidy, and no Housing Subsidy).
Subsidized Housing is private sector housing and Public Housing is owned by Federal Government.
49. Item T66 codes 3 and 5 should be eliminated. Not applicable to children. (Los Angeles FOB)
Will be eliminated.