

# Update on San Francisco's County Adult Assistance Programs

Effective January 1, 2025

## About the County Adult Assistance Programs

The County Adult Assistance Programs (CAAP) is for very low-income San Francisco residents who are single adults and married couples without dependents. Eligibility is based on income and San Francisco residency.

## New requirement

Beginning January 1, 2025, CAAP clients with a substance use disorder who want to access county-funded cash assistance are required to be enrolled in treatment and services. The new requirement is an important new tool to address San Francisco's opioid overdose epidemic.

This new requirement does not impact other benefits like CalFresh and Medi-Cal.

## How this change will affect CAAP benefits

As part of your Intake process, our Triage clinicians will conduct an employability assessment. This includes questions about substance use. For people with indication of illegal substance use, our clinicians will refer you to additional assessment and potential treatment that is right for you.

Once you are active on CAAP benefits, your triage reassessment may occur in six months or one year.

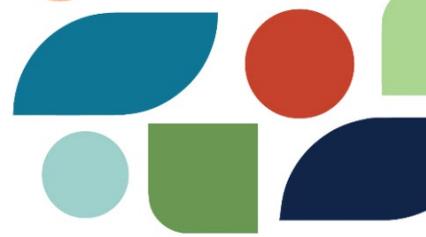
You must comply with these assessments and participate in available treatment options if required. Failure to comply may result in discontinuance of your benefits.

## Who is exempt from substance use disorder requirements

CAAP clients who are in the Supplemental Security Income Pending (SSIP) program are exempt from substance use disorder requirements. However, CAAP clients who are aged 60+ or have a temporary disability are not exempt.



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