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TO: Local District Commissioners, IM Directors, FS Directors,
WMS Coordinators, CAP Coordinators
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Assistance
SUBJECT: Federal Support for Verifying Alien 40 Work Quarters

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately

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This GIS is intended to give you advance notice that an automated system match is being developed to provide local districts with information from the Social Security Administration (SSA) regarding how many work quarters can be credited to an alien. This information will assist local districts in determining eligibility or validating continuing eligibility of permanent resident aliens for food stamps (and, in the future, for PA and MA).

We expect that this data exchange system with SSA will be available to local districts in late July.

Districts will use this process to obtain information about work history for new applicants and their spouses and parents. Districts will also be able to reverify work quarter information for households initially certified to receive food stamps without using information obtained from SSA. Local districts may wish to establish listings of cases they would like to reverify once the system is in operation. The information that will be needed to use the match is: case number or APP/REG number, social security number, and date of birth for each individual.

We will keep you informed about this system as additional information becomes available.