

COLORADO WORKS SPONSOR DESK AID

SPONSOR

Someone who signs an affidavit of support promising to provide enough financial support to maintain the sponsored non-citizen at an annual income that is at least 125% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). A non-citizen may be sponsored by more than one individual.

DEEMING

A process in which the agency, in determining a Qualified Non-Citizen's eligibility for Colorado Works, counts a portion of the income and resources of a non-citizen's sponsor as income and resources available to the non-citizen.

Qualified Non-Citizens Subject to Sponsor Deeming

All qualified Non-Citizens with legally enforceable affidavits of support (those signed when a non-citizen filed for a visa application or applied for an adjustment to LPR status on or after 12/19/1997) are subject to sponsor deeming. This typically includes:

- Family-sponsored LPRs (including immediate relatives)
- Some employment based LPRs (came to the U.S. to work for relatives or in companies partially owned (more than 5%) by relatives)

Qualified Non-Citizens Not Subject to Sponsor Deeming

- The non-citizen is a qualified non-citizen who is not a legal permanent resident (i.e. refugees, asylees, parolees and Cuban and Haitian entrants)
- The non-citizen adjusted their status to legal permanent resident from refugee or asylee status
- The non-citizen's sponsor signed the sponsorship agreement prior to December 19, 1997
- The non-citizen is a victim of battery or extreme cruelty (Abuse/Neglect Hardship Exception)

- The total income of the non-citizen and non-citizen's spouse, together with the total income of the sponsor and the sponsor's spouse (who is also a sponsor) is less than 125% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines for the household size of both the non-citizen and the sponsor (Indigence Hardship Exception)
- The non-citizen earned or can be credited with 40 qualifying quarters
- The non-citizen was sponsored on an affidavit of support other than the I-864

Note: Any time a hardship (indigence, abandonment, abuse/mistreatment) has been created for Colorado Works, CBMS will trigger a letter that will be automatically sent to USCIS.

Sponsor Deeming

Unless the Colorado Works Client meets a sponsor deeming exception, the following information will be entered into CBMS and requested via VCL:

- Income of the Sponsor
- Number of people in the Sponsor's household
- Number of individuals sponsored

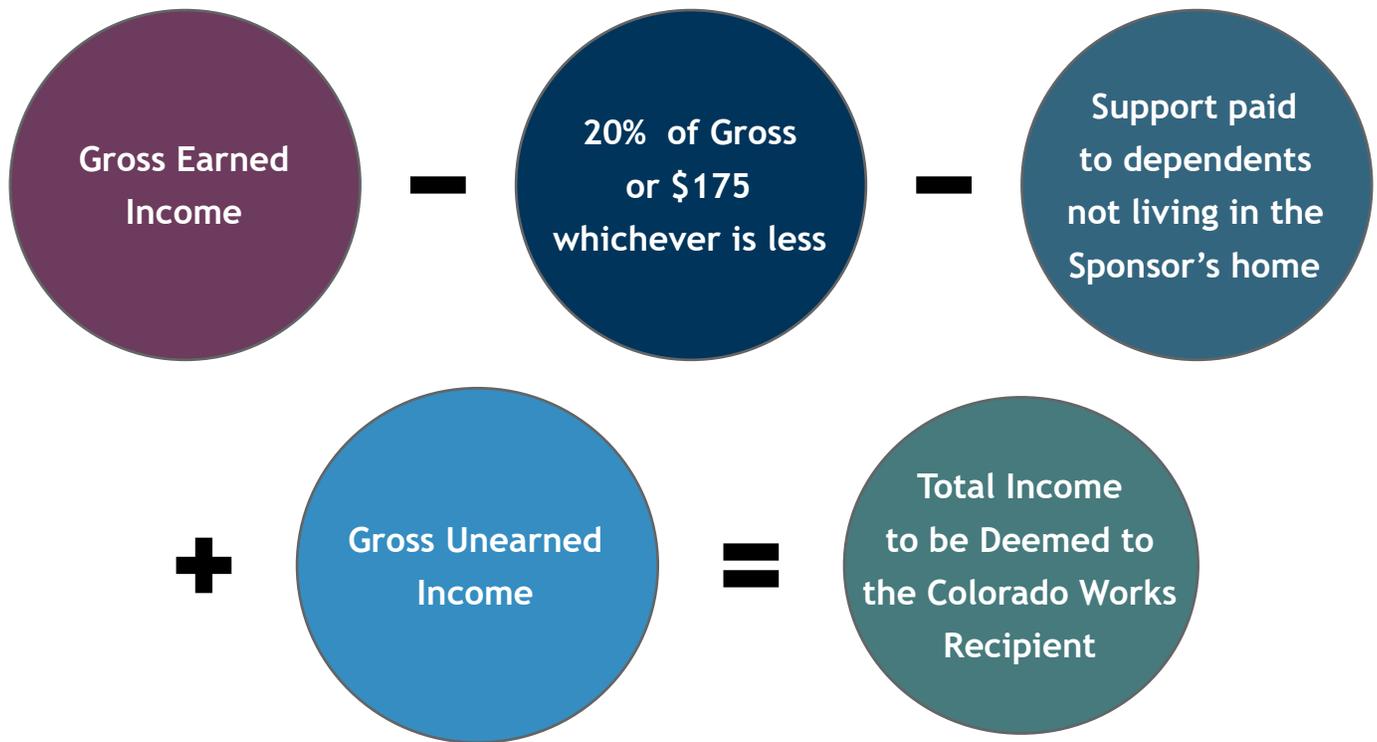
Note: If **verified**, will be deemed to the Non-Citizen. If **not verified**, the CW Client will be denied.

CBMS will use the data entry of Sponsor income and resources to determine the amount to be deemed.



Income Deeming

The sponsor's income will be deemed to the Colorado Works Household using the following calculation:



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