COLORADO WORKS CHANGES: What is a Negative Change?

TIMELY NOTICING

Sanction

Non-Compliance with Child Support

Pregnancy Ends (assumed 30 days past due date with no end date entered)

Demonstrable evidence

Death

A government agency provides information that a dependent child has left the home and CANNOT RECEIVE necessary services with their new household while the child REMAINS on their existing case

Withdrawl

ADEQUATE NOTICE

Intentional Program Violations (IPV)

New SSI or Title IV income

Adult reaches 60-month time limit

An adult who is not the head of household leaves the home due to **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE** and **REQUESTS** that they and their children be removed from their existing case



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REDETERMINATION, RECERTIFICATION, REASSESSMENT (RRR)

18-year-old graduates high school before 19th birthday and is **NOT** the only dependent child

Parent no longer exercising responsibility for one of two dependent children in the home, and that dependent child **DOES NOT REQUEST ASSISTANCE** in a new home

Income increase is **BELOW** needs standard

One of two dependent children leaves home and **DOES NOT REQUEST** assistance in new home

Adult leaves and **DOES NOT REQUEST** assistance in new home

ADVERSE ACTION

Income increase is **OVER** needs standard

One of two dependent children leave home and **REQUESTS** assistance in new home

Only dependent child leaves home

Parent no longer exercising responsibility for the ONLY dependent child in the home

Adult leaves home and **REQUESTS** assistance in new home

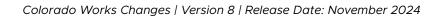
Parent no longer exercising responsibility for one of two dependent children in the home, and that dependent child **REQUESTS ASSISTANCE** in a new home

All members leave Colorado

18-year-old graduates high school before 19th birthday and is the ONLY dependent child

ALTERNATIVE TIMELY NOTICING

Pregnancy ends (pregnancy end date is entered)



COLORADO WORKS CHANGES: Change Timelines

TIMELY NOTICING

Customer receives 11 calendar days for noticing prior to negative action.

The difference between TIMELY NOTICING and ADVERSE ACTION is that with timely noticing the first two steps are eliminated.

The customer is not reporting any changes because the agency is aware the change has occurred and therefore it does not need to be verified.

As an example, a non-compliance with child support.

ADEQUATE NOTICE

No prior notice required.

REDETERMINATION, RECERTIFICATION, REASSESSMENT (RRR)

Change will take effect in the next certification period.

New verification may be required.

ADVERSE ACTION

31-Day Rule

Customer has until the 10th of the month, following the month of change to report/verify. Worker has 10 calendar days to act upon the change. Customer receives 11 calendar days for noticing prior to negative action.

Month of Change	Date Must Be Reported By	Month Case Fails
January	February 10 th	April
February	March 10 th	April
March	April 10 th	June
April	May 10 th	June
Мау	June 10 th	August
June	July 10 th	August
July	August 10 th	September
August	September 10 th	November
September	October 10 th	November
October	November 10 th	January
November	December 10th	January
December	January 10 th	February

ALTERNATIVE TIMELY NOTICING

Timely noticing from the date the client was required to report.



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COLORADO WORKS CHANGES: Order of Operations

DID YOU KNOW?

When processing multiple changes in a client case simultaneously, CBMS will automatically process changes in the correct order of operations.

This means you do not need to process changes in any specific order as it relates to Colorado Works.

• THOMAS' CASE

CBMS will act on changes to a Colorado Works case in the following order:

Positive changes*

ORDER OF OPERATIONS

Changes that require Adequate Noticing/Timely Noticing

Changes that require Adverse Action (31-Day) Noticing

*Whether the Colorado Works program will pass or fail is determined before the grant amount is calculated, therefore if the Colorado Works program fails in the same month that a positive change would cause a benefit increase, the benefit increase will not occur.





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Let's take a look at how multiple changes in Thomas' Colorado Works case is processed by CBMS:

Thomas gets a raise at his existing job in April of 2023. His new income puts him and his family over the need standard.

On May 1st, 2023, Thomas and his wife give birth to a new baby girl.

On May 15th, 2023, Thomas reports his income increase and newborn baby to his eligibility worker, who processes both changes in CBMS that day.

Thomas' income increase correctly results in adverse action for April and May.

The newborn child is added to the Colorado Works grant in May, a new grant amount is calculated, and Thomas and his family receive the newly calculated grant amount even though May is passing due to Adverse Action.

If Thomas' income is still over the income limit with an additional child in their family, Colorado Works will still close for over income in June.