

Greene County Job and Family Services
OWF extension due to “Good Cause” effective 10/01/02
(per OWF/PRC Guidance Letter #*)**

An assistance group may be granted an extension of OWF assistance payments beyond Ohio’s 36 month time limit under “Good Cause” provisions set forth by ORC 5101 1-23-01(B)(2) and this policy.

Good Cause OWF extensions may be granted provided at least 24 months have passed since the AG reached Ohio’s 36 month OWF time limit, and the AG meets and verifies one or more of the following criteria.

1. Presumptive disability of the adult AG member per. 5101:1-39-03.
2. Domestic violence victim and/or DV shelter resident receiving recovery services.
3. The AG’s current PCSA case plan is reliant upon additional OWF months for reasonable progress in achieving stability and self sufficiency
4. Verified AG employment of 12 or more months of 30+ hours/week since reaching the OWF 36 month time limit.
5. Verified receipt of unemployment compensation benefits by the AG since reaching the OWF 36 month time limit and evidence that the AG is seeking services from GreeneWorks.
6. New diagnosis of a significant disability of the adult AG member since 36 month time limit.
7. Other: Consideration of extraordinary circumstances where the Director or the OWF program administrator determines that additional OWF benefits are an integral part of joint case planning with other departments or agencies that will lead to self sufficiency for the AG.
8. Other: Cases transferred to Greene County with Good Cause already having been established by another CDFFS.

- An AG applying for an OWF Good Cause Extension will need to complete a Greene County OWF Good Cause Extension request form (#GJFS 337) with their application for OWF, specifying the reason that the AG believes they meet the Good Cause requirements along with all appropriate documentation for their request.
- The agency will immediately determine if the AG has completed the appropriate “Good Cause” 24 month waiting period and if there are any remaining months of assistance available under the 60 month federal TANF cash assistance time limits.
- If the request meets these first two tests, then the agency will make a written determination of the AG’s eligibility for Good Cause Extension based upon the criterial set forth in this Plan.
- If Good Cause is established, the AG will be eligible for any remaining months of OWF assistance up to the Federal 60 month lifetime limit for TANF cash assistance so long as all other eligibility factors are met. (Example, income, work participation and household composition)
- AGS not considered eligible under Good Cause will be advised of the agency’s decision in writing and are afforded all ODJFS state hearing rights.

Page 2

The above Greene County Department of Job and Family Services OWF Good Cause Extension Policy is adopted effective October 1, 2002 and will remain in effect until amended in writing by the Director of Greene County Department of Job and Family Services.

Director, Jack Harding

Date