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This ACL discusses eligibility of battered noncitizens for CalWORKs and food stamp benefits. Battered noncitizens are eligible for CalWORKs as PRUCOL (Permanently residing under color of law) if they have an INS document which indicates there is an approved or pending petition that sets forth a prime facie case that the person has been battered.

Battered noncitizens may be eligible for federally funded food stamps if they are "qualified aliens" and meet other food stamp requirements for noncitizens such as having a military connection, (e.g., be a veteran, be on active duty or be the spouse or child of a veteran or active military person) be lawfully in the U.S. on August 22, 1996 and currently under age 18, over age 65, blind or disabled.

This ACL describes certain types of petitions filed with the INS by noncitizens who have alleged they are battered by a spouse or parent. Specific requirements for federal eligibility include:

The noncitizen has an approved petition or pending petition from INS which sets forth a prime facie case that the petitioner has been battered; the noncitizen or parent or child has been battered in the U.S. by a spouse, parent or family member residing in the same household; there is a substantial connection between the abuse and the need for benefits; the noncitizen no longer resides with the batterer.

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**Vehicles Used to Transport Disabled Persons**

Pursuant to a federal policy change, a vehicle used to transport a physically disabled household member is excluded as a resource, even if the disabled household member is an ineligible household member such as an SSI recipient.

In addition, counties are to exclude from the CalWORKs resource determination any vehicle used to transport a physically disabled individual living in the home whether or not the individual is included in the CalWORKs AU.

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IHSS Questions and Answers

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