

Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Getting with the Programs: Changes in Use of TANF and Food Assistance since Welfare Reform

Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB) EIB

Influential Scientific Information

Agency: Economic Research Service Highly Influential Scientific Assessment
USDA

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Subject of Review: This investigation of changes in the use of multiple programs provides a comprehensive view of program interaction as well as an understanding of how total combined assistance from food assistance and TANF has changed over time. We use data from the 1990 and 2001 SIPP panels, which were collected during two periods of similar economic growth and unemployment, to describe changes in utilization of these programs before and after PRWORA. We supplement our analysis using the most recent data available, the 2004 SIPP panel. Our sample includes all children observed over a period of one year in households with income that ever falls below 300 percent of the Federal poverty line

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: Panel Review Individual Reviewers

Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 5/06/09 End: 08/06/09 Completed: 08/06/09

Number of Reviewers: 3 or fewer 4 to 10 More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: Agency Designated Outside Organization

Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? Yes No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? Yes No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? Yes No