



**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
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Linda M. Watts
Commissioner

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Mr. Eric Ratchford, Regional Director
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
Mid-Atlantic Region, USDA-FCS
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Mercer Corporate Park
300 Corporate Drive
Robbinsville, New Jersey 08691-1598

Dear Mr. Ratchford,

Enclosed is a waiver request regarding West Virginia's Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWD) policy. West Virginia is seeking to renew this waiver for 15 of West Virginia's 55 counties. The waiver would be effective April 1, 2020 and run through December 31, 2020.

Thank you for your consideration of our request. If you have any questions, please call Monica Hamilton at (304) 356-4620.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Linda Watts" followed by a stylized flourish.

Linda Watts
Commissioner, Bureau for Children and Families