

Prenatal-to-3 State Policy Roadmap 2021

REDUCED ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN FOR SNAP

What progress have states made to reduce administrative burden for SNAP?

| State | Policy Progress |
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| Alabama | Alabama is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Alabama has an online application, but it does not offer change reporting or renewal services online. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Alaska | Alaska only assigns 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. Alaska has an online application, but it does not offer change reporting or renewal services online. In the last year, legislators in Alaska did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Arizona | Arizona is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Arizona also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Arkansas | Arkansas is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Arkansas also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| California | California is one of 26 states that assign up to 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. In some cases, and upon request, California aligns other benefit periods, mainly Medicaid, to coordinate with SNAP recertification, but seldom does this alignment result in a shorter SNAP recertification interval for families. California offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Colorado | Colorado only assigns 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. Colorado offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Connecticut | Connecticut is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Connecticut also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Delaware | Delaware is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Delaware also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| District of Columbia | The District of Columbia is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. The District of Columbia also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, councilmembers did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Florida | Florida only assigns 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. Florida offers all three online services |

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| | (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Georgia | Georgia only assigns 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. Georgia offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Hawaii | Hawaii only assigns 12-month recertification intervals to some eligible families, and assigns either 3-month or 6-month recertification intervals to other eligible families. Hawaii assigns 6-month recertification intervals to most households deemed to have stable incomes and shorter intervals to households with unstable incomes. Hawaii largely only assigns 12-month recertification intervals to those designated as unemployable or elderly. Simplified reporting, however, is assigned to all eligible families with children. Hawaii has an online application and offers renewal services online, but it does not offer change reporting online. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Idaho | Idaho only assigns 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. Idaho does not offer any of the online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Illinois | Illinois assigns 12-month recertification intervals to all eligible families with children, but only assigns simplified reporting to some eligible families. Due to the likelihood of frequent or major changes in circumstances, the state's administrative code excludes assigning simplified reporting to the following families: households without earned income, and households approved for only one or two months of benefits. Illinois offers all online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Indiana | Indiana is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Indiana also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators in Indiana did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Iowa | Iowa only assigns 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. Iowa has an online application, but it does not offer change reporting or renewal services online. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Kansas | Kansas is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Kansas has an online application, but it does not offer change reporting or renewal services online. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Kentucky | Kentucky only assigns 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. Kentucky offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Louisiana | Louisiana is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Louisiana also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Maine | Maine is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Maine has an online application and renewal services, but it does not offer change reporting online. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Maryland | Maryland only assigns 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. Maryland offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |

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| Massachusetts | Massachusetts is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Massachusetts has an online application and renewal services, but it does not offer change reporting online. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Michigan | Michigan assigns 12-month recertification intervals to all eligible families with children, but it only assigns simplified reporting to some families with children. The state excludes households with no incomes, households with excluded earnings, and households without countable earned income from being assigned simplified reporting. Michigan offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Minnesota | Minnesota assigns 12-month recertification intervals to all eligible families with children, but only assigns simplified reporting to some families with children. The state excludes households with no earned income and households in which all adult members are elderly or disabled from being assigned simplified reporting. Minnesota has an online application and offers renewal services online, but it does not offer change reporting online. In the last year, legislators in Minnesota proposed three bills that mentioned the state's 12-month recertification interval for SNAP. One bill, H.F. 33, passed and reaffirms Minnesota's existing 12-month recertification interval. |
| Mississippi | Mississippi only assigns 6-month, rather than 12-month recertification intervals to all eligible families with children, and the state does not assign simplified reporting to any eligible families with children. Mississippi does offer all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal), however. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Missouri | Missouri is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Missouri also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Montana | Montana is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Montana also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Nebraska | Nebraska only assigns 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. Nebraska offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Nevada | Nevada only assigns 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. Nevada has an online application and offers change reporting online, but it does not offer renewal services online. In the last year, legislators in Nevada did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| New Hampshire | New Hampshire assigns 4-, 6-, or 12-month recertification intervals. The state assigns 4-month recertification intervals to households determined to have fluctuating circumstances and assigns 6-month recertification intervals to households with little likelihood of changes in income or those who receive no other public benefits. The state only assigns 12-month recertification intervals to those with very stable incomes, those who are unemployable, elderly, or self-employed. Only households that are certified for 4, 5, or 6 months qualify for assignment of simplified reporting. New Hampshire offers all online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| New Jersey | New Jersey is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. New Jersey has an online application, but it does not offer change reporting or renewal services online. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| New Mexico | New Mexico is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. New Mexico also offers all three online services (initial application, change |

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| | reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| New York | New York assigns up to 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to only some families with children. New York assigns 12-month recertification intervals to households with no earned income. The state assigns 6-month recertification intervals to households with stable incomes, and either 4-month or 2-month recertification intervals to households expected to have frequent changes in circumstances. The state excludes households with no earned income, households certified for less than 4 full months of benefits, and households in which all adult members are elderly or disabled from being assigned simplified reporting. New York offers all online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| North Carolina | North Carolina assigns either 6- or 12-month recertification intervals. The state assigns 12-month recertification intervals to households without earned income and assigns 6-month recertification intervals to all other households. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. North Carolina also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| North Dakota | North Dakota only assigns 6-month intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. North Dakota has an online application and offers change reporting online, but it does not offer renewal services online. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Ohio | Ohio is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Ohio also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Oklahoma | Oklahoma is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Oklahoma also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Oregon | Oregon is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Oregon also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Pennsylvania | Pennsylvania assigns either 6- or 12-month recertification intervals. Pennsylvania assigns 6-month recertification intervals to households with no income or migrant farm workers. The state typically assigns 12-month recertification intervals to households with earned or unearned income. The state assigns simplified reporting to all families with children. Pennsylvania offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Rhode Island | Rhode Island is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Rhode Island has an online application and renewal services, but it does not offer change reporting online. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| South Carolina | South Carolina only assigns 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. South Carolina has an online application and renewal services, but it does not offer change reporting online. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| South Dakota | South Dakota is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. South Dakota also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Tennessee | Tennessee assigns 12-month recertification intervals to all eligible families with children, but only assigns simplified reporting to some families with children. The state excludes households in which the only earned income is annualized income from self-employment, and households that are certified for 3 months or less |

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| | from being assigned simplified reporting. Tennessee has an online application and offers change reporting online, but it does not offer renewal services online. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Texas | Texas only assigns 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. Texas has all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, five bills were introduced to adjust recertification intervals to be at least 12 months. H.B. 945, and its companion, S.B. 1217, would have extended eligibility periods to 12 months for most households with children. The other three bills were focused on extending eligibility periods for older individuals and individuals with disabilities. None of these five bills passed out of the body in which they were introduced. |
| Utah | Utah only assigns 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. Utah offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators in Utah did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Vermont | Vermont is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Vermont has an online application, but it does not offer change reporting or renewal services online. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Virginia | Virginia is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Virginia also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Washington | Washington is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Washington also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| West Virginia | West Virginia is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. West Virginia has an online application and change reporting, but does not offer renewal services online. In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Wisconsin | Wisconsin is one of 26 states that assign 12-month recertification intervals and simplified reporting to all eligible families with children. Wisconsin also offers all three online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |
| Wyoming | Wyoming only assigns up to 6-month recertification intervals rather than 12-month intervals. The state does assign simplified reporting to all eligible families with children, however. Wyoming does not offer any of the online services (initial application, change reporting, and renewal). In the last year, legislators did not introduce any bills related to adjusting recertification intervals. |

Find additional information on the [methods and sources](#) used throughout the Roadmap and for each state.