

## Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) and Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) Verification Quick Guide and Postsecondary Child Care Grant (CCG) | 2025–2026

### Why Verification Is Required

Minnesota Statute [§136A.125, Subd. 2\(3\)](#) prohibits CCG awards to students receiving **MFIP Cash Assistance**. Verification helps ensure compliance with CCG requirements and reduces the chances for repayment obligations.

### Who Must Be Verified

**Schools must** complete MFIP/CCAP verification **for the following applicants if:**

- They indicate yes to either MFIP or CCAP on their application
- They are suspected of receiving county benefits
- Or the student is unsure if they are receiving MFIP or CCAP

### Required MFIP & CCAP Verification of Benefits Form

Located in MNAid → Reports → Forms tab

- Must be completed by the student's **county financial worker or Human Services Department in the student's county of residence.**
- Verifies whether the student receives:
  - MFIP Cash Assistance ❌ Not eligible
  - MFIP Child-Only (FS/Medical) ✅ Potentially eligible
  - Diversionary Work Program (DWP) ✅ Potentially eligible
  - No MFIP/DWP ✅ Potentially eligible

### Additional Guidance

- **MFIP Cash Assistance always disqualifies**—even if the student doesn't receive child care through CCAP.
- **Financial aid staff are not expected to interpret MFIP rules**—the county worker is responsible for clarifying and interpreting MFIP and CCAP benefits.
- **Students must not be coached to answer “no”** if they are unsure if they are receiving MFIP and/or CCAP. County Verification must be performed.

### Best Practices

- Request the MFIP and CCAP Verification of Benefits form early to avoid delays.
- Use the student's signed certification to verify with the county if needed (Section A of CCG application)
- Document all verification steps in the student's file.

### Locating Human Services County Contacts

If a student does not know their assigned MFIP and/or CCAP caseworker, use the [Minnesota Department of Human Services County Contact Directory](#) to locate the appropriate county.