

Medical Programs

WA496 Filing Jointly with Spouse Outside the Home

There is currently a known issue with the creation of IBUs at EDBC. If an applicant is filing jointly with a spouse, who is coded as Permanently Out of the Home, that spouse will be incorrectly included in the IBU of the applicant who they are filing jointly with. Policy states to add the spouse of an individual or tax filer, only if they are living together. WA 496 has been created to assist staff when this situation has been encountered to ensure accurate determinations are being reached.

Example: The case members are PA, SP, and 1 CH. The PA and CH are in the home. The SP is out of the home. The PA reports that they will file taxes jointly with the SP. The CH will be claimed as a dependent on the PA and SP's joint return