SECTION BC: BARRIERS AND WELFARE TO WORK

BC1. Sometimes people need help from the government to help pay for expenses. Including any money you get on a Michigan Bridge Card, since (W3 IW DATE), have you received Food Stamps only, assistance from ADC or FIP only, both Food Stamps and welfare, or neither?

1. FOOD STAMPS ONLY → TURN TO P. 35, BC13
2. WELFARE (ADC OR FIP) ONLY
3. BOTH
4. NEITHER → TURN TO P. 40, BC23

BC2. Since (W3 IW DATE) have you participated in Work First or another program to help you find a job?

1. YES
5. NO

BC2a. Did you complete the Work First program, attend part of the program, or attend the orientation session only?

1. COMPLETED PROGRAM
2. ATTENDED PART OF PROGRAM

→ NEXT PAGE, BC3

3. ATTENDED ORIENTATION ONLY

BC2b. Did you attend the orientation session for the Work First program?

1. YES
5. NO

BC2c. What is the main reason that you did not attend the program? Is it because you already had a job, were ill, were caring for someone else who was ill, you just gave birth, or some other reason?

1. ALREADY HAD A JOB
2. ILL
3. CARING FOR SOMEONE ELSE ILL
4. JUST GAVE BIRTH
5. OTHER REASON

BC3. Now I'd like to ask you about the periods you received assistance from ADC or FIP or help from Food Stamps. People get their welfare checks or the amount of Food Stamps reduced for many reasons. Since (W3 IW DATE), has your check or Bridge Card been reduced or stopped because your case worker said you didn't follow the rules?

1. YES

5. NO → GO TO BC4

BC3a. What rules did your case worker say you didn't follow?
(CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

A. DIDN'T COOPERATE WITH CHILD SUPPORT/ GIVE INFORMATION ABOUT CHILD(REN)'S FATHER

B. DIDN'T GO TO WORK FIRST/ STOPPED GOING TO WORK FIRST

C. DIDN'T GET A JOB

D. QUIT A JOB

E. WASN'T WORKING ENOUGH HOURS

F. DIDN'T GIVE CASE WORKER INFORMATION/PAPERWORK THAT SHE WANTED

G. OTHER (SPECIFY): _____

H. DON'T KNOW

BC3b. Since (W3 IW DATE) did you stop receiving checks or a Bridge Card altogether because your case worker said you didn't follow the rules?

1. YES

5. NO

BC4. Since (W3 IW DATE), has your caseworker reduced your check unfairly?

1. YES

5. NO

BC5. Since (W3 IW DATE), has your caseworker talked to you about other services for you or your family?

1. YES	5. NO

BC6. Since (W3 IW DATE), has your caseworker visited you in your home?

1. YES	5. NO

BC7. Are you currently receiving assistance from ADC or FIP, either in a check or on the Bridge card?

1. YES	5. NO

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BC8. What is the main reason you stopped receiving assistance? Was it because you made too much money, you got a job, you got married, you didn't follow the rules, you went on disability or SSI, or some other reason?

1. MADE TOO MUCH MONEY	2. GOT A JOB	3. GOT MARRIED	4. DIDN'T FOLLOW THE RULES

5. WENT ON DISABILITY OR SSI	7. OTHER (SPECIFY): _____

BC9. Since you stopped receiving assistance, have you gone to the welfare office to talk about applying for welfare, that is, ADC or FIP?

1. YES	5. NO → NEXT PAGE, BC11

NEXT PAGE, BC10

BC10. What is the main reason you didn't get back on assistance? Was it because you made too much money, you had a job, you were married, you didn't want to deal with the hassle of paperwork, or some other reason?

1. MADE TOO MUCH MONEY	2. HAD A JOB	3. WERE MARRIED
4. DIDN'T WANT TO DEAL WITH HASSLE OF PAPERWORK	7. OTHER (SPECIFY): _____ _____	

GO TO BC12

BC11. What's the main reason you haven't gone to the welfare office to apply for ADC or FIP?

01. HAVE A JOB/ WOULDN'T BE ELIGIBLE	06. CHILDREN ARE NO LONGER LIVING WITH ME
02. TOO MUCH HASSLE/TOO MANY RULES	07. WELFARE WORKERS TREAT ME POORLY
03. EMBARRASSED/ASHAMED TO GO	08. DON'T WANT TO BE ON WELFARE
04. WELFARE REQUIRES ME TO WORK	09. WOULDN'T BE ELIGIBLE, NO REASON SPECIFIED
05. DIDN'T WANT TO GO TO WORK FIRST PROGRAM	97. OTHER (SPECIFY): _____ _____

BC12. Are you currently receiving Food Stamps or Food Stamps on the Bridge Card?

1. YES → TURN TO P. 41, SECTION C

5. NO → TURN TO P. 38, BC19

BC13. Since (W3 IW DATE) have you participated in Work First or another program to help you find a job?

1. YES

5. NO

BC13a. Did you complete the Work First program, attend part of the program, or attend the orientation session only?

1. COMPLETED PROGRAM

2. ATTENDED PART OF PROGRAM

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3. ATTENDED ORIENTATION ONLY

BC13b. Did you attend the orientation session for the Work First program?

1. YES

5. NO

BC13c. What is the main reason that you did not attend the program? Is it because you already had a job, were ill, were caring for someone else who was ill, you just gave birth, or some other reason?

1. ALREADY HAD A JOB

2. ILL

3. CARING FOR SOMEONE ELSE ILL

4. JUST GAVE BIRTH

5. OTHER REASON

BC14. Now I'd like to ask you about the periods you received help from Food Stamps. People get their welfare checks or the amount of Food Stamps reduced for many reasons. Since (W3 IW DATE), have your Food Stamps or Bridge Card been reduced or stopped because your case worker said you didn't follow the rules?

1. YES

5. NO → NEXT PAGE, BC15

BC14a. What rules did your case worker say you didn't follow? (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):

A. DIDN'T COOPERATE WITH CHILD SUPPORT/ GIVE INFORMATION ABOUT CHILD(REN)'S FATHER

B. DIDN'T GO TO WORK FIRST/ STOPPED GOING TO WORK FIRST

C. DIDN'T GET A JOB

D. QUIT A JOB

E. WASN'T WORKING ENOUGH HOURS

F. DIDN'T GIVE CASE WORKER INFORMATION/PAPERWORK THAT SHE WANTED

G. OTHER (SPECIFY):

_____

_____

H. DON'T KNOW

BC14b. Since (W3 IW DATE) did you stop receiving Food Stamps or a Bridge Card altogether because your case worker said you didn't follow the rules?

1. YES

5. NO

BC15. Since (W3 IW DATE), has your caseworker reduced your Food Stamps or Bridge Card unfairly?

1. YES	5. NO

BC16. Since (W3 IW DATE), has your caseworker talked to you about other services for you or your family?

1. YES	5. NO

BC17. Since (W3 IW DATE), has your caseworker visited you in your home?

1. YES	5. NO

BC18. Are you currently receiving Food Stamps or Food Stamps on the Bridge Card?

1. YES	5. NO → NEXT PAGE, BC19

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BC19. What is the main reason you're not receiving Food Stamps? Was it because you made too much money, you got a job, you got married, you didn't follow the rules, or some other reason?

1. MADE TOO MUCH MONEY	2. GOT A JOB	3. GOT MARRIED
4. DIDN'T FOLLOW THE RULES	7. OTHER (SPECIFY): _____ _____	

BC20. Since you stopped receiving Food Stamps, have you gone to the welfare office to apply for Food Stamps?

1. YES

5. NO → NEXT PAGE, BC22

BC21. What is the main reason you didn't get back on Food Stamps? Was it because you made too much money, you had a job, you were married, you didn't want to deal with the hassle of paperwork, or some other reason?

1. MADE TOO MUCH MONEY	2. HAD A JOB	3. WERE MARRIED
4. DIDN'T WANT TO DEAL WITH HASSLE OF PAPERWORK	7. OTHER (SPECIFY): _____ _____	

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BC22. What's the main reason you haven't gone to the welfare office to apply for Food Stamps?

01. HAVE A JOB/ WOULDN'T BE ELIGIBLE	06. CHILDREN ARE NO LONGER LIVING WITH ME
02. TOO MUCH HASSLE/TOO MANY RULES	07. WELFARE WORKERS TREAT ME POORLY
03. EMBARRASSED/ASHAMED TO GO	08. DON'T WANT TO BE ON WELFARE
04. WELFARE REQUIRES ME TO WORK	09. WOULDN'T BE ELIGIBLE, NO REASON SPECIFIED
05. DIDN'T WANT TO GO TO WORK FIRST PROGRAM	97. OTHER (SPECIFY): _____ _____

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BC23. Since (W3 IW DATE) have you gone to the welfare office to apply for Food Stamps or ADC or FIP?

1. YES

5. NO → GO TO, BC25

BC24. What is the main reason you didn't get back on assistance or Food Stamps? Was it because you made too much money, you had a job, you were married, you didn't want to deal with the hassle of paperwork, or some other reason?

1. MADE TOO MUCH MONEY
2. HAD A JOB
3. WERE MARRIED
4. DIDN'T WANT TO DEAL WITH HASSLE OF PAPERWORK
7. OTHER (SPECIFY): _____ _____

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BC25. What's the main reason you haven't gone to the welfare office to apply for Food Stamps or ADC or FIP?

01. HAVE A JOB/ WOULDN'T BE ELIGIBLE
02. TOO MUCH HASSLE/TOO MANY RULES
03. EMBARRASSED/ASHAMED TO GO
04. WELFARE REQUIRES ME TO WORK
05. DIDN'T WANT TO GO TO WORK FIRST PROGRAM
06. CHILDREN ARE NO LONGER LIVING WITH ME
07. WELFARE WORKERS TREAT ME POORLY
08. DON'T WANT TO BE ON WELFARE
09. WOULDN'T BE ELIGIBLE, NO REASON SPECIFIED
97. OTHER (SPECIFY): _____ _____