

VERIFYING MIGRATORY AND SEASONAL AGRICULTURAL WORKER STATUS

Suggested Questions

The following are key questions to ask in determining whether an individual and his/her family seeking health care at a health center are agricultural workers, and if they are to be considered seasonal (stay in one area all year long) or migratory. The four questions below are in alignment with the Public Health Service definitions of "Migrant", "Seasonal", "Aged or Disabled" farmworkers and agricultural employment.

CURRENT

1. In the past two years, have you or a member of your family worked in agriculture/farming as your/their principal employment including, but not limited to:

- Preparing, irrigating or spraying the fields, nurseries, orchards;
- Planting, picking, sorting, packing, or transporting fruits, vegetables, grains, nuts, plants, tobacco, hops, flowers, grass, alfalfa, hay, or other agricultural products;
- Planting trees; working with Christmas trees; picking pine needles or Spanish moss;
- Working on farms that produce chickens, ducks, turkeys, cows, goats, sheep, horses, fish, seafood, etc.,

YES - This person and his/her family are **agricultural workers**.

CONTINUE to questions 3-4.

NO - There is no current agricultural worker in the household.

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FORMER

2. Have you or a member of your family stopped migrating to work in agriculture because of a disability or old age?

YES - This person and his/her family can be classified as **migratory workers**.

NO - There is no current or former agricultural worker in the household.

STOP

MIGRATORY

3. In the past two years, have you or a member of your family established a temporary home in order to work in agriculture?

YES - This person and his/her family are **migratory workers**.

STOP

NO

CONTINUE to question 4.

SEASONAL

4. In the past two years, have you or a member of your family worked in agriculture on a seasonal basis without the need to establish a temporary home?

YES - This person and his/her family are **seasonal workers**.

STOP