



Kansas Parents as Teachers At Risk Criteria for TANF Eligibility



This guidance includes **possible** documentation for at-risk criteria for Parents as Teachers (PAT) programs. The guidance is fluid; it should not be considered all-inclusive or final. If a PAT program encounters a form of documentation that may be appropriate but not included in this guidance, contact KSDE for determination. As additional documentation is identified, the guidance will be updated. Note: Eligibility determination is an administrative cost and not reimbursable using TANF funding. Eligibility is determined annually defined as at initial enrollment and within 45 days before or 45 days after that date each year. Documentation (either paper or electronic) is kept on file at the district and available in case of audit.

At Risk Criteria	Description	Possible Documentation
1. Teen Parent	Custodial parent was under the age of 20 at the time of the child's birth	valid ID including date of birth; birth certificate; official school ID card
2. Child with disabilities or chronic health condition	Child being served has a physical, cognitive, emotional or health- related condition or impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities or qualifies the child for services under	Individual Family Service Plan, signed statement from doctor or professional making the diagnosis or confirming the condition.
3. Parent with disabilities or chronic health condition	Parent has a physical, cognitive or other health-related condition or impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities	letter from professional with the diagnosis, signed statement from doctor or other professional making the diagnosis or confirming the condition
4. Parent with Mental Illness	Parent has been diagnosed with a thought, mood, or behavior disorder (or some combination) associated with distress and/or impaired functioning including maternal or paternal depression	letter from professional with the diagnosis, signed statement from doctor or other professional making the diagnosis or confirming the condition
5. Low educational attainment	Parent did not complete high school or GED and is not currently enrolled	parent signs that he/she did not complete high school or obtain a GED and is not currently enrolled
6. Low income	Families eligible for Free and Reduced Lunches, Public Housing, Child Care Subsidy, WIC, Food Stamps, TANF, Head Start/Early Head Start, and/or Medicaid, families up to 200% of federal poverty	signed Free and Reduced Lunch form completed by family; check stub, employer letter, award letter for social security, unemployment, confirmation of enrollment or eligibility including dates of eligibility from any of the listed programs such as Public Housing, Child Care Subsidy, WIC, etc.

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7. Recent immigrant or refugee family	One or both parents are foreign- born and entered the country within the past 5 years.	Visa, passport
8. Substance abuse	Parent has used or is currently using substances despite negative social, interpersonal, legal, medical or other consequences. PATNC recommends including this as a risk factor if substance abuse has occurred at any point during the enrolled child's lifetime (including prenatal).	signed statement from doctor or other professional making the diagnosis or confirming the condition; as indicated by a reliable and valid instrument for substance abuse such as the UNCOPE
9. Court-appointed legal guardians and/or foster care	The child has a court-appointed legal guardian or is in foster care; neither parent has custody	documentation that child is in foster care or has court-appointed legal guardian;
10. Homeless or unstable housing	Lives in emergency/transitional housing or in a place not intended for regular housing, and/or moved more than twice in the past year due to problems with housing	intake from a homeless shelter; documents showing two or more home addresses within a year
11. Incarcerated parent(s)	Parent(s) is incarcerated in federal or state prison or local jail or was released from incarceration with the past year	prison intake; court document sometimes available on-line indicating incarceration of the individual
12. Very low birth weight	Birth weight is under 1500 grams or 3.3 lbs. This would not need to count as a risk factor If the child is over 2 years and is not experiencing any negative consequences due to being very low birth weight as determined by a reliable and valid screening tool or developmental assessment.	birth certificate; hospital certification; statement from a doctor noting birth weight
13. Death in the immediate family	The death of the child, parent or sibling. PATNC recommends including this as a risk factor if a death in the immediate family has occurred at any point during the enrolled child's lifetime (including	death certificate; obituary

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14. Domestic violence	Parent is involved in intimate partner violence	as indicated by a reliable and valid instrument such as the AAS (relationship Screening -DOVE), signed statement from doctor or other professional; court document
15. Child Abuse or Neglect	Suspected or substantiated abuse/neglect of child or sibling(s)	DCF or police document indicating suspected or substantiated abuse/neglect
16. Military family	Parent/guardian is currently deployed or is within 2 years of returning from a deployment as an active duty member of the armed forces. "Deployment" is defined as any current or past event or activity that relates to duty in the armed forces that involves an operation, location, command or duty that is different from his/her normal duty assignment.	document indicating duty assignment
17. Dual Language Learner/English Learner	English is not the family's first language or the language primarily spoken in the home.	complete Home Language Survey available on the KSDE website at http://www.ksde.org/Agency/Division-of-Learning-Services/Early-Childhood-Special-Education-and-Title-Services/Title-Services/Title- III-State-ESOL
18. Multiple Live Births	Pregnancy culminating in two or more live offspring being delivered	birth certificate; hospital certification; statement from a doctor noting multiple live births - twins, etc.
19. At Risk for Developmental Delay	A delay in the child's development in one or more areas as determined by the ASQ 3 or ASQ: SE. A failed vision or hearing screening completed by a trained professional including a trained Parent Educator	results of ASQ 3; ASQ: SE 2; hearing, vision screening documentation; signed statement from a doctor or trained professional
20. First Time Parent	A parent to a child of that age for the first time (i.e., first time parent to a two year old, first time parent to a three year old, etc.)	Birth certificate, letter from physician or other professional working with the family
21. Single Parent	A parent in which no other adult in the household acts in a parental role to the child	Letter from professional working with the family, lease, signed parent letter
22. First Time Adoptive Parent	A parent who has no other (zero) adoptive children of any age	letter from physician or other professional working with the family, signed parent letter
23. 3 under 3	A family that has three children under the age of 36 months	Birth certificates, hospital certification, doctor's statement,