

**INTERPRETIVE MEMO**

**GA Rule Interpretation**

**Procedural Instruction**

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**QUESTION:** Rule 2652.3 specifically states that a vulnerable populations temporary housing assistance recipient who is denied further accommodations at a motel, or similar establishment, due to not following the motel's rules is ineligible for additional assistance for 30 days. Catastrophic temporary housing rule 2652.2 states that assistance is available for "applicants who are involuntarily without housing through circumstances they could not reasonably have avoided," but the rule does not specify how long an individual remains ineligible after being ejected from a motel, shelter, or similar establishment for disorderly conduct. If a catastrophic temporary housing recipient's behavior results in the individual being denied further accommodations at the motel, shelter, or similar establishment the department has housed them in, how long will they remain ineligible for additional catastrophic temporary housing assistance?

**ANSWER:** A catastrophic temporary housing assistance recipient, who is denied further accommodations at a motel, shelter, or similar establishment for disorderly conduct, or otherwise not following the motel's rules, is ineligible for additional assistance until the authorization period for the current grant expires.

**Example:** John applies for catastrophic temporary housing assistance on July 1. The department authorizes assistance at a motel for seven nights. On the morning of July 2, the motel ejects John for disorderly behavior and disturbing other motel guests. July 8 is the first date John will be eligible for assistance again, provided that he meets all other eligibility criteria.

*John*