

# Workforce One

## FAST-NextGen

8/2021 – 12/2024

MFIP pre & post 60-month FSS participants, age 19-59, that meet the program eligibility requirements may be referred to **NextGen** and possibly randomized for **FAST**

This user guide indicates the WF1 process that will be followed by the MFIP Employment Counselors (EC), NextGen Enrollment Coordinators, MIS Unit, WFS Case Aide, MFIP Data Specialists and WFS FAST Employment Counselors (EC)

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# REFERRAL TO NEXTGEN

The **WFS' MIS Unit** will:

- **Send the NexGen spreadsheet** to the Data Specialists on or around the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month
- **Assign participant's WF1 MFIP record** to a NextGen Enrollment Coordinator as Secondary Staff for participants listed as Accepted and verified eligible by the supervisor/manager on the spreadsheet
- **Code the participant's WF1 MFIP record** with TEST, CONTROL\* or DECLINE according to randomization or update provided by the assigned NextGen Enrollment Coordinator and end the NextGen Enrollment Coordinator's assignment to the WF1 record
- **Transfer only the TEST coded participant's** WF1 MFIP record to WFS' Case Aide
  - Transfers completed within 48 hours and email sent to WFS' Case Aide & cc: WFS' FAST Supervisor
  - Email transferring agency's MFIP EC, Data Specialist & supervisor that WF1 record transferring
- **Open the LOCAL FLAG (NXGEN) activity** in the TEST coded participant's WF1 MFIP record, once transferred to WFS' Case Aide – see page 2

The MFIP agency's **Data Specialist** will:

- **Share the NextGen spreadsheet** that is received from MIS to OneDrive for the MFIP ECs to access
- **Send the updated NextGen spreadsheet** to WFS' MIS Unit at least once a month between the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>

The assigned **MFIP Employment Counselor (EC)** will:

- **Update FAST Status column and/or Staff Note column** on the NextGen spreadsheet indicating participants' interest in NextGen

The MFIP EC's **Supervisor/Manager** will:

- **Verify final eligibility**, for those listed as Accepted in the FAST Status column, by appropriately marking column A (Accepted Mgr/Sup Initial)

The **NextGen Enrollment Coordinator** will:

- **Randomly assign** interested participants as TEST or CONTROL\*
- **Notify the MIS Unit** of TEST, CONTROL or DECLINE participants by Tuesday of each week
- **Enter a Case Note** in the participant's WF1 MFIP record, indicating NEXTGEN TEST, NEXTGEN CONTROL or NEXTGEN DECLINE as the Case Note subject

The **WFS' Case Aide** will:

- **Transfer the TEST coded participant's** WF1 MFIP record to a WFS FAST Employment Counselor

*\*Those coded as CONTROL cannot receive FAST services for 21 months after initially coded.*

# FAST-NEXTGEN ENROLLMENT

The **WFS' MIS Unit** will open the **Local Flag** activity with an Activity Subtype of **NXGEN**, in the participant's WF1 MFIP record for those that are randomly assigned to **TEST**, when transferring the participant's WF1 record to **WFS' Case Aide**.

Participants that are randomly assigned to **CONTROL** will remain with their **MFIP EC** and there will not be a specific **Local Flag** opened for NextGen. Those randomized into **CONTROL** are being tracked by **WFS' MIS Unit** in another area of WF1 for reporting purposes.

NOTE: Since only one parent of a 2-parent household may be randomized for NextGen, **WFS' MIS Unit** will open the **Local Flag** activity with an Activity Subtype of **FASTX** for the other parent of **Test** participants.

The screenshot shows the 'MFIP Activity' form for participant Ida Ramsey. The form includes a sidebar with navigation options like 'General', 'Case Note', and 'Cases'. The main form area contains the following fields:

- Record ID:** 202015088
- MAXIS Case:** 135627496
- Program Seq:** 1
- Agency: Location:** Ramsey County Workforce Solutions: North St. Paul
- Enrollment Date:** 03/24/2021
- Entered by:** Laurie J Doheny
- Assign to Staff:** Doheny, Laurie (Current Primary)
- Activity Type:** Local Flag
- Activity Subtype:** NXGEN
- Start Date:** 08/09/2021
- Estimated End Date:** (empty)
- Funding Stream:** MFIP State-wide
- Delivery Method:** None Selected
- Estimated Cost:** \$ (empty)
- Estimated Hours:** (empty)
- User Defined Text 1, 2, and Date:** (empty)

A callout box on the right provides the following instructions:

- Activity Type = Local Flag**  
This activity is only opened for those randomly assigned to **TEST** and will remain open until the participant exits the **FAST-NextGen** program.
- Start Date = Date WF1 MFIP record transferred to WFS' Case Aide**
- Activity Sub Type = NXGEN**
- Remember to Save**

# DECLINING or WITHDRAWING FROM NEXTGEN or FAST

## Declining FAST services after referral to NextGen Enrollment Coordinator:

- Prior to randomization, participants may decline FAST services/NextGen participation and will remain with their MFIP EC
  - The **NextGen Enrollment Coordinator** will notify **WFS' MIS Unit** of these situations via email
  - **WFS' MIS Unit** will code the MFIP record 'Decline' for tracking purposes
- After randomization, participants in the **Test** group may decline FAST services and return to their previous agency/MFIP EC without being removed from the **NextGen** study
  - The **NextGen Enrollment Coordinator** will notify **WFS' MIS Unit** of these situations via email
  - **WFS' MIS Unit** will transfer the MFIP record back to the previous agency/MFIP EC and notify the MFIP EC, data specialist and supervisor/manager via email

## Withdrawing from Study, but receiving FAST services after randomization:

After randomization, participants may withdraw from the study by following the procedures described on the consent form.

- Participants in the **Test** group may still receive **FAST services** after withdrawing from the **NextGen study** and would remain assigned to the **WFS FAST EC**
  - The **NextGen Enrollment Coordinator** will notify **WFS' MIS Unit** of these situations via email
  - **WFS' MIS Unit** will close the **Local Flag (NXGEN)** activity and code the MFIP record 'NC' for tracking purposes
- Participants in the **Control** group cannot be offered **FAST** services, but may withdraw from the NextGen study and remain assigned to their **MFIP Employment Counselor**
  - The **NextGen Enrollment Coordinator** will notify **WFS' MIS Unit** of these situations via email
  - **WFS' MIS** will code the MFIP record 'NC' for tracking purposes

# FAST SERVICE PROVIDER TRACKING

The **Local Flag** activity with the **appropriate Activity Sub Type**, as indicated below, should be opened by the **WFS FAST Employment Counselor** when a participant is **referred** to a **FAST Service Provider**.

Tracking of:	Activity to Enroll	Sub Type to Use	Enroll Local Flag Activity
IPS Supported Employment	Local Flag	IPS	When referring to FAST's Career Specialist
Health Navigator	Local Flag	HN	When referring to FAST's Health Navigator
Children's Mental Health <u>within</u> the Collaborative	Local Flag	CMH	When referring to FAST's CMH <u>within</u> Collaborative
Children's Mental Health <u>outside</u> the Collaborative	Local Flag	CMHO	When referring to CMH Services <u>outside</u> of the collaborative
Adult Mental Health <u>within</u> the Collaborative	Local Flag	AMH	When referring to FAST AMH Services <u>within</u> Collaborative
Adult Mental Health <u>outside</u> the Collaborative	Local Flag	AMHO	When referring to AMH Services <u>outside</u> of the collaborative

The **Activity Subtype** of **IPS**, shown below, indicates that the participant was **referred** to **IPS Supported Employment** on 9/1/21.

**General**

At-A-Glance  
Contact  
Tickler  
Connect Messages  
Demographics  
Mobile User  
Work Preferences  
MN Works Resume

**Case Note**

Add Case Note  
Case Note Quick  
Case Note Search

**Cases**

Program/New App  
Eligibility/Enrollment

**Activity**

Plan  
Credential  
Youth Performance  
Participation Hours  
Exit

**MFIP Activity**

Ida Ramsey  
Birth Date 06/22/1966  
Record ID 202015088  
MAXIS Case 135627496

Program Seq 1  
Agency: Location Ramsey County Workforce Solutions: Kellogg Blvd. 6th Floor - EXS  
Enrollment Date 03/24/2021  
Entered by Laurie J Doheny  
Assign to Staff Gordon, JoAnn (Current Primary)

Activity Type Local Flag

Change Activity/Staff

Hide Open Activity

Start Date 09/01/2021  
Estimated End Date  
Funding Stream MFIP State-wide  
Activity Subtype IPS  
Delivery Method None Selected  
Estimated Cost \$  
Estimated Hours  
User Defined Text 1 Use this area to include additional Social Service detail information.  
User Defined Text 2  
User Defined Date

Activity Type = Local Flag  
Start Date = Date referred to a FAST Service Provider  
Activity Sub Type = The appropriate code as indicated in the table above  
User Defined Text 1 = Enter additional Social Service details that are within HIPAA laws.

# FAST SERVICE PROVIDER TRACKING continued:

The information entered in the **User Defined Text 1** field of the activity may be viewed by clicking on the appropriate **Local Flag** activity.

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**Activity**

**Activity Summary**

Ida Ramsey  
Birth Date 06/22/1966

Record ID 202015088  
MAXIS Case 135627496

▼ Hide MFIP Seq 1 - Enrolled

Enrollment Date: 03/24/2021 Exit Date:

Activity	Subtype	Work Exp Type	Funding Stream	Start Date	End Date	
Local Flag (IPS)			MFIP State-wide	09/01/2021	Open	
Local Flag (NXGBN)			MFIP State-wide	08/02/2021	Open	JoAnn Gordon WF Solutions Edit Delete Copy
Assessment			MFIP State-wide	03/30/2021	Open	JoAnn Gordon WF Solutions Edit Delete Copy
Local Flag			MFIP State-wide	03/24/2021	03/30/2021	JoAnn Gordon WF Solutions Edit Copy Reopen

Add MFIP Activity

To view all the information entered in the **User Defined Text 1** field, click on the appropriate **Local Flag** activity.

**MFIP Activity**

Name	Ida Ramsey	WF1 Record ID	202015088
Program: Sequence	MFIP: 1	Funding Stream	MFIP State-wide
Activity Type	Local Flag	Subtype	IPS
Start Date	09/01/2021	Completion Result	
End Date		Staff Assigned	
Agency	Ramsey County Workforce Solutions	Location	
Estimated End Date		Estimated Hours	
Estimated Cost		Actual Hours	
Actual Cost		User Defined Date	
User Defined Text 1	Use this area to include additional Social Service detail information.	User Defined Text 2	

The information entered in the **User Defined Text 1** appears here.

# FAST & NEXTGEN RETURNS AFTER EXITING MFIP

Participants enrolled in **FAST prior to 9/2021**, that close/exit MFIP and reopen, will return to the most recent **MFIP EC** and location. There could be rare instances where a participant enrolled in **FAST prior to 9/2021** may return to their **WFS FAST EC**.

Participants previously randomized for **NextGen** into **Test**, that close/exit MFIP and reopen, will be reassigned to a **WFS FAST EC**. **WFS' MIS Unit** will complete the following steps for these participants:

- Open the **Local Flag (NXGEN)** activity
- Notify the **WFS' Case Aide** that the participant has returned via email with daily referrals

The screenshot shows the 'MFIP Activity' form for participant Ida Ramsey. The 'Activity Type' is set to 'Local Flag' and the 'Activity Subtype' is set to 'NXGEN'. The start date is 03/29/2022. A callout box provides instructions for setting these values.

Field	Value
Record ID	202015088
MAXIS Case	135627496
Program Seq	2
Agency: Location	Ramsey County Workforce Solutions: Kellogg Blvd. 6th Floor
Enrollment Date	03/29/2022
Entered by	Laurie J Doheny
Assign to Staff	Lee, Gao (Current Primary)
Activity Type	Local Flag
*Start Date	03/29/2022
Estimated End Date	
Funding Stream	MFIP State-wide
Activity Subtype	NXGEN
Delivery Method	None Selected
Estimated Cost	\$
Estimated Hours	
User Defined Text 1	
User Defined Text 2	
User Defined Date	

**Activity Type = Local Flag**

**Start Date = Date WF1 MFIP record assigned to WFS' Case Aide**

**Activity Sub Type = NXGEN**  
This Activity Subtype is only opened for those previously randomized to TEST

**Remember to Save**

# **FAST & NEXTGEN REVIEWS**

Information regarding reviews will be shared in the future.