

HEA1120 Frequently Asked Questions

1. **What is HEA 1120?**
 - a. House Enrolled Act 1120 (HEA 1120) is an Indiana law that was passed in 2020.
 - b. This law changes how credit time is earned and awarded.
2. **Why is credit time (or “time cuts”) changing?**

Credit time is changing because:

 - a. The IDOC wants each person to focus on goals that will aid in their overall success.
 - b. The IDOC wants to provide opportunities for each unique individual to earn the maximum credit time that the law allows.
3. **How can credit time be earned with HEA 1120?**
 - a. With HEA 1120, credit time can be earned for progress in the individualized case plan.
4. **What is the maximum amount of credit time I can earn?**
 - a. The maximum amount of credit time you are allowed does not change.
5. **When will I get the credit time I earn by making progress in my case plan?**
 - a. Under HEA1120, you are eligible to earn a specific number of credit time days during a specific period of time.
 - b. The case plan review periods continue through the time of incarceration.
6. **Are there other titles or names I may hear?**
 - a. Yes, You will hear the new way to earn credit time called “Case Plan Credit Time” or CPCT.
7. **Who will change to the new way of earning credit time?**
 - a. Those incarcerated in the fall of 2021 will get to choose – They can continue to earn credit time through completing “time cut programs” or change to Case Plan Credit Time.
 - b. Each individual coming into IDOC on, or after, January 1, 2022, will only be eligible to earn credit through CPCT.
8. **What are things about credit time that will not change if I choose Case Plan Credit Time?**
 - a. The maximum credit days that the law allows stays the same.
 - b. The Credit Class eligibility stays the same.
 - c. The Credit Restricted Felon criteria stays the same.
 - d. The Conduct criteria that is required to earn credit time stays the same.
9. **What if I have already earned some credit time, am I still eligible to move to Case Plan Credit Time?**
 - a. Yes, if you have already earned credit days, you can still choose to move to CPCT.
 - b. When you choose CPCT, you will have the opportunity to earn the remainder of the days for which you are allowed by law through progress made in your Individualized Case Plan.
10. **How do I get my questions answered?**
 - a. This is new for everyone. For now, questions will go to your Dorm Representative to be submitted to central office.
 - b. Staff will not have answers to questions until after they have completed training.

