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The following acronyms are contained in this letter:

- COFA – Compact of Free Association
- COLA – Cost of Living Adjustment
- COVID – Coronavirus Disease
- DMAS – Department of Medical Assistance Services
- HPE – Hospital Presumptive Eligibility
- IMD – Institution for the Treatment of Mental Diseases
- LDSS – Local Department of Social Services
- LPR – Lawful Permanent Resident
- MSP – Medicare Savings Programs
- TN – Transmittal
- WIN – Work Incentive

TN #DMAS-22 includes policy clarifications, updates and revisions. Unless otherwise noted in the Cover Letter and/or policy, all provisions included in this transmittal are effective with eligibility determinations and post-eligibility (patient pay) calculations made on or after January 1, 2022. Note that COVID-19 Public Health Emergency guidelines continue until the emergency is over and are not referenced in Medical Assistance Eligibility Policy.

The following changes are contained in TN #DMAS-22:

Changed Pages	Changes
Subchapter M0220 Table of Contents Pages 7, 12, 14a, 14b, 14d, 14e, 16, 22, 22a, 24 Appendix 5, pages 1, 3 Appendix 8, pages 1, 3 Appendix 4 was added.	Revised the Table of Contents. On pages 7, 12, 14a, 14b, 14d, 16, 22, and in Appendices 5 and 8, clarified that COFA Migrants are qualified full-benefit aliens with no five-year waiting period and clarified the other groups that do have a five year waiting period for full benefits. On page 14e, clarified that children born in the U.S. to foreign diplomat parents (i.e. neither parent is a U.S. citizen) must have their own lawful status; they may apply for immediate LPR status. On page 22a, clarified that the LDSS must not take action to approve or enroll an emergency

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	services alien until the completed Emergency Medical Certification form is received back from DMAS. Appendix 4 containing policy for Afghan special immigrants and parolees was added.
Subchapter M0310 Page 28	Clarified how to evaluate eligibility for applicants with pending disability determinations.
Subchapter M0320 Pages 11, 26a, 27	On page 11, revised the COLA figures and Medicare premiums effective January 1, 2022. On page 26a, updated the resource limit for funds held in a Medicaid Works WIN account. On page 27, updated the Medicaid Works earned income limit to be applicable for 2022.
Subchapter M0530 Appendix 1, page 1	Revised the deeming standards effective January 1, 2022.
Subchapter M0810 Pages 1, 2, 3	Revised the SSI-based figures effective January 1, 2022. On page 3, clarified the definition of income.
Subchapter M0820 Pages 30, 31	Revised the blind or disabled student earned income exclusion for 2021.
Subchapter M1110 Pages 1, 2	On page 1, clarified that the location of a resource does not by itself exclude the resource. On page 2, revised the MSP resource limits effective January 1, 2022.
Subchapter M1460 Pages 3, 35	On page 3, revised the home equity limit effective January 1, 2022. On page 35, revised the blind or disabled student child earned income exclusion effective January 1, 2022.
Subchapter M1470 Pages 19, 20	On page 19, revised the basic maintenance allowance effective January 1, 2022. On page 20, revised the special earnings allowance effective January 1, 2022.
Subchapter M1480 Pages 7, 18c, 66, 69, 70	On page 7, revised the home equity limit effective January 1, 2022. On page 18c, revised the spousal resource standards effective January 1, 2022. On page 69, revised the basic maintenance allowance effective January 1, 2022. On page 70, revised the special earnings allowance effective January 1, 2022.
Subchapter M1510 Page 8a Page 8 is a runover page.	Clarified the processing time for applications submitted by women enrolled on the basis of HPE.
Subchapter M1520 Page 14	Clarified that coverage is not cancelled when an enrolled member enters an IMD.

Changed Pages	Changes
Chapter M18 Page 8 Page 7 is a runover page	Added newly-implemented behavioral health services to the list of covered services.

Please retain this TN letter for future reference. Should you have questions about information contained in this transmittal, please contact Cindy Olson, Director, DMAS Eligibility and Enrollment Services Division, at cindy.olson@dmas.virginia.gov or (804) 225-4282.

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TN #DMAS-22	1/1/22	Table of Contents Pages 7, 12, 14a, 14b, 14d, 14e, 16, 22, 22a, 24 Appendix 5, pages 1, 3 Appendix 8, pages 1, 3 Appendix 4 was added.
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TN #DMAS-18	1/1/21	Page 21
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M0220.300 FULL BENEFIT ALIENS

A. Policy

A "full benefit" alien is

- an alien who receives SSI (M0220.305);
- an American Indian born in Canada to whom the provisions of section 289 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) apply, or a member of an Indian tribe (as defined in section 4(e) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b(e)) (M0220.306);
- a "qualified" alien (defined in M0220.310 below) who entered the U.S. before 8-22-96;
- a qualified alien refugee; asylee; deportee; Amerasian; Cuban or Haitian entrant; victim of a severe form of trafficking; or a qualified Afghan or Iraqi immigrant admitted to the U.S. on a Special Immigrant Visa *or an Afghan special immigrant who meets the criteria in M0220, Appendix 4*; who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96, but only for the first **7** years of residence in the U.S. (M0220.313.C) *unless the criteria in M0220 Appendix 4 are applicable*.
- effective 12-27-20, *a qualified alien who is a Compact of Free Association (COFA) migrant (also referred to as compact citizens). COFA is a compact between the United States and the three Pacific Island sovereign states of Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau—known as the Freely Associated States.*
- before 4-1-21, a qualified LPR who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 who has at least 40 qualifying quarters of work, but only **AFTER** 5 years of residence in the U.S. (M0220.313 B). Effective 4-1-21, a qualified LPR who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 and who has resided in the U.S. for at least five years is no longer required to have any qualifying quarters of work to receive full Medicaid benefits;
- *the following qualified aliens, but only **AFTER** 5 years of residence in the U.S.:*
  - *a parolee under section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act for a period of at least 1 year;*
  - *an alien who is granted conditional entry pursuant to section 203(a)(7) of the Immigration and Nationality Act as in effect prior to April 1, 1980;*
  - *an alien, and/or an alien parent of battered children and/or an alien child of a battered parent who is battered or subjected to extreme cruelty while in the U.S.*
- a qualified alien who meets the veteran or active duty military requirements in M0220.311 below; or
- a lawfully residing non-citizen child under age 19 or pregnant woman who meets the requirements in M0220.314 below.

A full benefit alien is eligible for full Medicaid benefits if he/she meets all other Medicaid eligibility requirements.

Aliens who are not "full benefit" aliens are "emergency services" aliens and may be eligible for emergency Medicaid services only if they meet all other Medicaid eligibility requirements. See section M0220.400 for emergency services aliens.

- the alien child resides in the same household as a parent who has been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty while in the U.S. by that parent's spouse, or by a member of the spouse's family residing in the same household as the parent and the spouse consented or acquiesced to such battery or cruelty.

b. the agency providing benefits determines (according to the guidelines to be issued by the U.S. Attorney General) that there is a substantial connection between the battery or cruelty and the need for benefits; and

c. the alien has a petition approved by or pending with USCIS for one of the following:

- status as an immediate relative (spouse or child) of a U.S. citizen;
- classification changed to immigrant;
- status as the spouse or child of a lawful permanent resident alien (LPR); or
- suspension of deportation and adjustment to LPR status based on battery or extreme cruelty by a spouse or parent who is a U.S. citizen or LPR alien.

9. Afghan or Iraqi Special Immigrant

an alien who is lawfully admitted into the U.S. on a Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) for permanent residency *or an Afghan special immigrant who meets the criteria in M0220, Appendix 4*;. Aliens in this group include the principal SIV holder, his spouse, and his children under age 21 living in the home. Afghan and Iraqi Special Immigrants will have either (1) a Form I-551 or (2) a passport or I-94 form indicating categories SI1, SI2, SI3, SQ1, SQ2, or SQ3 and bearing the Department of Homeland Security stamp or notation. *Other qualified Afghan special immigrants will have one of the documents listed in M0220, Appendix 4.*

10. Victims of Trafficking

an alien who has been granted nonimmigrant status under section 101(a)(15)(T) or who has a pending application that sets forth a prima facie (has sufficient evidence) case for eligibility for such status.

M0220.311 VETERAN & ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY ALIENS

A. Veterans or Active Duty Military Aliens

An alien lawfully residing in the state (not here illegally) is always eligible for full Medicaid benefits (if he/she meets all other Medicaid eligibility requirements) **regardless of the date of entry into the U. S.**, if he or she meets one of the following conditions:

1. he/she is a qualified alien and is a veteran discharged honorably not on account of alienage, and who fulfills the minimum active-duty service requirements of section 5303A(d) of title 38, United States Code;

2. he/she is a qualified alien and is on active duty (other than active duty for training) in the Armed Forces of the United States (not in the Armed Forces Reserves),

3. he/she is the

   a) spouse or the unmarried dependent child of a living (not deceased) qualified alien who meets the conditions of 1. or 2. above, or

B. Services Available To Eligibles A qualified alien who entered the U.S. before 8-22-96 and who meets all other Medicaid eligibility requirements is eligible for the full package of Medicaid covered services available to the alien's covered group.

C. Entitlement & Enrollment of Eligibles The Medicaid entitlement policy and enrollment procedures for eligible qualified aliens who entered the U.S. before 8-22-96 are found in section M0220.600 below.

M0220.313 QUALIFIED ALIENS WHO ENTERED U.S. ON OR AFTER 8-22-96

A. No Limit on Residency in the U.S. Effective 12-27-20, *qualified aliens who are Compact of Free Association (COFA) migrants (also referred to as compact citizens) are full benefit aliens. COFA is a compact between the United States and the three Pacific Island sovereign states of Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau—known as the Freely Associated States.*

B. First 7 Years of Residence in U.S. During the first seven years of residence in the U.S., six (6) groups of qualified aliens (as defined in M0220.310 above) who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 are eligible for the full package of Medicaid benefits available to the covered group they meet (if they meet all other Medicaid eligibility requirements), even if their status is adjusted later to LPR.. These 6 groups of qualified aliens who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 are:

1. Refugees Refugees under section 207 and Amerasian immigrants are full benefit aliens for 7 years from the date of entry into the U.S. Once 7 years have passed from the date the refugee entered the U.S., the refugee becomes an "emergency services" alien.

2. Asylees Asylees under section 208 are full benefit aliens for 7 years from the date asylum in the U.S. is granted. Once 7 years have passed from the date the alien is granted asylum in the U.S., the asylee becomes an "emergency services" alien.

3. Deportees Deportees whose deportation is withheld under section 243(h) or section 241(b)(3) are full benefit aliens for 7 years from the date withholding is granted. After 7 years have passed from the date the withholding was granted, the deportee becomes an "emergency services" alien.

NOTE: If the qualified alien is a veteran or in active duty military status, or is the spouse or the unmarried dependent child of a qualified alien who meets the conditions in M0220.313 above, the alien is a full benefit alien.

4. Cuban or Haitian Entrants Cuban and Haitian entrants as defined in section 501(e) of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980 are full benefit aliens for 7 years from the date they enter the U.S. After 7 years have passed from the date they entered the U.S., a Cuban or Haitian entrant becomes an "emergency services" alien.

5. Victims of a Severe Form of Trafficking

Victims of a severe form of trafficking as defined by the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, P.L. 106-386 are full benefit aliens for 7 years **from the date they are certified or determined eligible** by the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR). Victims of a severe form of trafficking are identified by either a letter of certification (for adults) or a letter of eligibility (for children under age 18 years) issued by the ORR (see Appendix 5 of this subchapter). **The date of certification/eligibility specified in the letter is the date of entry for a victim of a severe form of trafficking.** After 7 years have passed from the certification/eligibility date, a victim of a severe form of trafficking becomes an "emergency services" alien unless his status is adjusted.

6. Afghan or Iraqi Immigrant Admitted to the U.S. on a Special Immigrant Visa

The Department of Defense Appropriations Act of 2010, enacted on December 19, 2009, provides that Iraqi and Afghan Special Immigrants are eligible for Medicaid benefits to the same extent and for the same time period as refugees. The legislation supersedes prior legislative authority that limited Special Immigrants to benefits for an 8-month time period. Provided that all other eligibility requirements are met, Iraqi and Afghan Special Immigrants are eligible for Medicaid benefits for the first seven years after entry into the United States (U.S.).

For Afghan special immigrants who do not hold a Special Immigrant Visa, see M0220, Appendix 4.

7. After 7 Years Residence in U.S.

After seven years of residence in the U.S., the qualified refugee, Amerasian, asylee, deportee, Cuban or Haitian entrant, victim of a severe form of trafficking, or Afghan or Iraqi Special Immigrant (as defined in M0220.310 above) who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 is no longer eligible for full Medicaid benefits and becomes an "emergency services" alien.

C. AFTER 5 Years of Residence in U.S.

The following qualified aliens who entered the U.S. **on or after 8-22-96** are eligible for the full package of Medicaid benefits available to the covered group they meet (if they meet all other Medicaid eligibility requirements) after 5 years of residence in the U.S.:

- *a parolee under section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act for a period of at least 1 year;*
- *an alien who is granted conditional entry pursuant to section 203(a)(7) of the Immigration and Nationality Act as in effect prior to April 1, 1980;*
- *an alien, and/or an alien parent of battered children and/or an alien child of a battered parent who is battered or subjected to extreme cruelty while in the U.S.*
- LPRs (as defined in M0220.310 above). *For eligibility determinations for months prior to April 2021, an LPR who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 and who has resided in the U.S. for five years must also have at least 40 qualifying quarters of work. Effective 4-1-21, a qualified lawful permanent resident who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 and who has resided in the U.S. for at least five years is no longer required to have any qualifying quarters of work to receive full Medicaid benefits.*

1. LPR

When an LPR entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96, the LPR is an **"emergency services" alien during the first 5 years** the LPR is in the U.S., regardless of work quarters.

- Afghan or Iraqi Special Immigrant (as defined in M0220.310 above *and in M0220, Appendix 4),*

who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 and who meets all other Medicaid eligibility requirements is eligible for the full package of Medicaid covered services available to the alien's covered group during the first 7 years of residence in the U.S. After 7 years of residence in the U.S., the refugee, Amerasian, asylee, deportee, Cuban or Haitian entrant, victim of a severe form of trafficking, or Afghan or Iraqi Special Immigrant who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 is no longer eligible for full Medicaid benefits and is eligible for emergency services only.

2. LPR

Effective 4-1-21, after five years of residence in the U.S., an LPR who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 is eligible for the **full package of Medicaid benefits** available to the covered group he/she meets if he/she meets all other Medicaid eligibility requirements.

For eligibility determinations for months prior to April 2021, LPRs who DO NOT have at least 40 qualifying quarters of work remain emergency services aliens after 5 years have passed from the date of entry into the U.S.

D. Entitlement & Enrollment of Eligibles

The Medicaid entitlement policy and enrollment procedures for full benefit qualified aliens who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 are found in section M0220.600 below.

The Medicaid entitlement policy and enrollment procedures for emergency services qualified aliens who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 are found in section M0220.700 below.

M0220.314 LAWFULLY RESIDING NON-CITIZEN CHILDREN UNDER AGE 19 AND PREGNANT WOMEN

A. Policy

Section 214 of CHIPRA of 2009 gives states the option to provide Medicaid and FAMIS/FAMIS MOMS coverage to certain individuals who are lawfully residing in the United States and are otherwise eligible for assistance. Virginia has elected to cover children under the age of 19 and pregnant women who are lawfully residing in the U.S.

Noncitizens are lawfully residing in the U.S. if they have been admitted lawfully into the U.S. and have not overstayed the period for which they were admitted, or they have current permission to stay or live in the U.S.

This policy does **not** apply to individuals who receive temporary relief from removal under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) process announced by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security on June 15, 2012.

Children born in the U.S. to foreign diplomat parents (i.e. neither parent is a U.S. citizen) must have their own lawful status. They may apply for immediate LPR status.

Children under age 19 and pregnant women who are in one of the lawfully residing non-citizen alien groups described below must have their immigration status verified at the time of the initial eligibility determination and at each annual renewal of eligibility to ensure that they are lawfully residing in the U.S. and that their immigration status has not changed.

NOTE: All aliens who meet the alien status eligibility requirements for Medicaid and FAMIS/FAMIS MOMS must also meet the Virginia state residency requirements to be eligible for coverage under the programs.

For a pregnant woman who is not lawfully residing in the U.S., use Chapter M23 to evaluate her eligibility for FAMIS Prenatal Coverage. If she is not eligible for FAMIS Prenatal Coverage, evaluate her eligibility for the coverage of emergency services using M0220.500.

B. Eligible Alien Groups

Lawfully residing children under age 19 and pregnant women meet Medicaid and FAMIS/FAMIS MOMS alien requirements without regard to their date of arrival or length of time in the U.S. Children under 19 or pregnant women are lawfully residing aliens if they are:

1. a qualified alien as defined in section 431 of PRWORA (8 U.S.C § 1641). See M0220.310;

2. an alien in a nonimmigrant status who has not violated the terms of the status under which he or she was admitted or to which he or she has changed after admission . This group includes individuals with valid visas;

3. an alien who has been paroled into the United States pursuant to section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and nationality Act (INA) (8 U.S.C § 1182 (d)(5)) for less than I year, except for an alien paroled for prosecution, for deferred inspection or pending removal proceedings;

4. an alien who belongs to one of the following classes:

a. aliens currently in temporary resident status pursuant to section 210 or 245A of the INA (8 U.S.C.§§ 1160 or 1255a, respectively),

M0220.410 EMERGENCY-SERVICES-ONLY QUALIFIED ALIENS WHO ENTERED U.S. ON OR AFTER 8-22-96

A. First 5 Years of Residence in U.S.

During the first five years of residence in the U.S., four groups of qualified aliens (as defined in M0220.310 above) who entered the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 are eligible for **emergency Medicaid services only** provided they meet all other Medicaid eligibility requirements.

1. Lawful Permanent Residents (LPRs)

An LPR who enters the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 is an "emergency services" alien during the first 5 years the LPR is in the U.S., regardless of work quarters.

Note: If the LPR had prior Refugee status, he may be considered to have Refugee status for the purposes of Medicaid eligibility. To determine former Refugee status of a Lawful Permanent Resident, check the coding on the I-551 for codes RE-6, RE-7, RE-8, or RE-9. Refer to M0220.313.A.1.

2. Conditional Entrants

A qualified Conditional Entrant who enters the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 is an "emergency services" alien *during the first 5 years the Conditional Entrant is in the U.S.*

3. Parolees

A qualified parolee who enters the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 is an "emergency services" alien during the first 5 years the parolee is in the U.S.

4. Battered Aliens

A qualified battered alien who enters the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 is an "emergency services" alien during the first 5 years the battered alien is in the U.S.

B. AFTER 5 Years of Residence in U.S.

1. Lawful Permanent Residents Without 40 Work Quarters

For months prior to 4-1-21, Lawful Permanent Residents who DO NOT have at least 40 qualifying quarters of work remain emergency services aliens after residing in the U.S. for 5 years. Effective 4-1-21, Lawful Permanent Residents become full benefit aliens after 5 years of residing in the U.S. with no work requirement.

2. Conditional Entrants

A qualified Conditional Entrant who enters the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 *and has resided in the U.S. for at least 5 years is a full benefit alien.*

3. Parolees

A qualified parolee who enters the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 *and has resided in the U.S. for at least 5 years is a full benefit alien.*

4. Battered Aliens

A qualified battered alien who enters the U.S. on or after 8-22-96 *and has resided in the U.S. for at least 5 years is a full benefit alien.*

The verification must be documented in the record.

NOTE: A child born to an emergency-services-only alien mother who was eligible for Medicaid on the date of the child's birth is entitled to Medicaid as a newborn child (see M320.301).

2. DMAS Certification for Emergency Services Required

When DMAS certification for emergency services is required, send a written request for the evidence of emergency treatment listed below to the applicant or authorized representative. Request that the applicant/authorized representative provide the following information from the hospital or treating physician, as applicable to the emergency service provided, **for each period of service**:

- On the Emergency Medical Certification Form, **specify the exact dates of service requested.** Ask for a phone number where the person can be reached .
- emergency room record, admission (admit) orders, history and physical, MD notes. discharge summary, operative notes;
- operative consent form;
- **pre operative evaluation;**
- labor and delivery notes, if pregnancy related; and
- dates of service – admission date/discharge date.
- Dialysis patients - a dialysis certification, which must provide and include the Medicaid application date, requested date of dialysis coverage, and a dialysis letter signed and dated by a physician.

  If a CMS ESRD Entitlement Form is submitted as the dialysis Plan of Care, all areas of the form must be completed; a physician must sign and date the form.

If the applicant/authorized representative is unlikely to be able to obtain the above information without assistance (e.g. due to a language barrier), obtain a signed release of information. If necessary, use the release to request evidence of emergency treatment from the hospital and/or treating physician

If the hospital or treating physician is unsure of the information that is needed, refer the hospital's staff, physician or physician's staff to the Virginia Medicaid Hospital Provider Manual, Chapter VI "Documentation Guidelines."

Using the Emergency Medical Certification *(DMAS Form 2019NR)* as a cover letter, send the medical evidence to:

Division of Program Operations
Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS)
600 E. Broad Street, Suite 1300
Richmond, VA 23219

for a determination of medical emergency and the duration of the emergency services certification period.

If more than one period of service is requested, the records must be separated, and a separate certification form must be attached for each period of service.

If a request is received with one certification form and the records contain multiple dates of service, and/or DMAS is unable to make a determination with the medical records received, the entire request will be returned to the eligibility worker with a note specifying the information needed.

Do not include application forms for disability, FAMIS, etc. These forms contain protected health information that is not needed for the determination of medical necessity.

The agency must not take action to approve or enroll an emergency services alien until the completed Emergency Medical Certification form is received back from DMAS. If approved, DMAS will provide the certification for Medicaid payment for emergency services and coverage begin and end dates.

M0220.600 FULL BENEFIT ALIENS ENTITLEMENT & ENROLLMENT

A. Policy

An alien who is determined eligible for full Medicaid benefits and who meets all Medicaid eligibility requirements (including covered group requirements) is eligible for all Medicaid-covered services available to the recipient's covered group.

B. Application & Entitlement

1. Application Processing

The eligibility worker must take the application and develop it in the same manner as any other individual's application. All eligibility requirements, including covered group requirements must be met.

2. Entitlement

If the applicant is found eligible for Medicaid, ongoing eligibility may exist unless the recipient is on a spenddown.

3. Spenddown

Spenddown provisions apply to medically needy individuals who have excess income.

4. Notice

Appropriate notice must be sent to the applicant of the status of his application and of his Medicaid eligibility.

C. Enrollment Procedures

Once a full benefit alien is found eligible for Medicaid, he must be enrolled in VaCMS using the following data:

1. Country

In this field, Country, enter the code of the alien's country of origin.

2. Cit Status

In this field, Citizenship Status, enter the Citizenship code that applies to the alien. Below, next to the Citizenship code, is the corresponding Alien Code from the Alien Code Chart in Appendix 5 to this subchapter. Eligible alien codes are:

R = refugee (Alien Chart codes F1, F2, G1, G2); also used for Afghan and Iraqi Special Immigrants (Alien Chart Code Z1).
E = entrant (Alien Chart code D1).
P = full benefit qualified aliens and women eligible for FAMIS Prenatal Coverage (Alien Chart codes A1, A2, A3, B1, B3, C1, CC1, *D1*, *D3*, E1, *E3*, H1, H2, I1, *I3*, J1, J2, K1);
I = legal immigrant children under age 19 only (Alien Chart codes Y1, Y2, Y3)

In this field, Citizenship Status code, enter :

A = Emergency services alien (Alien Chart codes B2, C2, C3, CC2, D2, E2, F3, G3, H3, I2, codes J3 through V3, Z2) other than dialysis patient.

D = Emergency services alien who receives dialysis.

V = Visitor, non-immigrant alien (Alien Chart codes W1, W2, W3).

The Alien Codes Chart is found in Appendix 5 to this subchapter.

NOTE: Foreign visitors are not usually eligible for Medicaid because usually they do not meet the Virginia state residency requirement.

3. **Entry date** — **THIS FIELD MUST BE ENTERED.** Enter the date on which the alien entered the U.S., except for asylees and deportees. For asylees, enter the date asylum was granted. For deportees, enter the date deportation withholding was granted.

4. **App Dt** — In this field, application date, enter the date of the alien's Medicaid application upon which the eligibility coverage period is based.

5. **Covered Dates Begin** — In this field, coverage begin date, enter the begin date of the emergency service(s).

6. **Covered Dates End** — In this field, coverage end date, enter the date when the alien's emergency service(s) ends. When the emergency service(s) received was related to labor and delivery, the end date includes the day of discharge even though it is not counted to determine the length of stay for certification purposes.

7. **AC** — Enter the code applicable to the alien's covered group.

D. Notices

Appropriate notice must be sent to the applicant of the status of his application and the duration of his eligibility.

The USCIS requires that all benefit applicants who are denied benefits based **solely or in part** on the SAVE response be provided with adequate written notice of the denial as well as the information necessary to contact USCIS, so that the individual may correct his records in a timely manner, if necessary. The fact sheet, "Information for Applicants: Verification of Immigration Status and How to Correct Your Record with USCIS" (Form # 032-03-0427-00) must be included with the Notice of Action when benefits are denied, **including the approval of emergency-services-only Medicaid coverage**, and with the Advance Notice of Proposed Action when benefits are subsequently cancelled based on the results of a SAVE inquiry. The fact sheet is available at https://fusion.dss.virginia.gov/Portals/[bp]/Files/SAVE/Inform%20for%20Applicants%20Verification%20of%20Immigration%20Status.pdf?ver=2019-05-29-135745-363.

Afghan Special Immigrants

The majority of Afghan special immigrants entering into the U.S. fall into one of three groups:

1. Holders of a Special Immigrant Visa,

2. Special Immigrant Parolees (SIP), who are individuals granted Special Immigrant (SI/SQ) Parole (per section 602(B)(1) AAPA/Section 1059(a) NDAA 2006), and

3. Non Special Immigrant Parolees entering the United States without SI/SQ parole due to the urgent nature of their arrival (Humanitarian status).

The United States Congress passed a Continuing Resolution on October 1, 2021, allowing individuals with a humanitarian parole status to receive full Medicaid (within certain parameters). Section 2502 of the Continuing Resolution provides that certain Afghan nationals who receive parole "shall be eligible for resettlement assistance, entitlement programs, and other benefits available to refugees" to include Medicaid, until March 1, 2023 (or until their parole expires). Eligible parolees are those who either:

- Were paroled into the United States between July 31, 2021, and September 30, 2022

- Are a qualifying relative of someone who received parole in that period (CR section 2502(a)(1)(B)), even if they receive parole after Sept 30, 2022.

Individuals with (1) SIV status, (2) SIP status, and (3) Humanitarian Parolee Status issued between July 31, 2021, and September 30, 2021, are qualified for evaluation in Medicaid and FAMIS without a five-year residency bar (provided that all other eligibility requirements are met).

Exception: Humanitarian Parolees who arrived **before July 31, 2021**, are eligible only for Medicaid coverage of emergency medical services and Health Insurance Marketplace coverage. Many of these individuals have already been enrolled in subsidized Marketplace coverage or have been granted asylum and are therefore eligible for Medicaid or FAMIS without the 5-year bar.

Children under 19 years and pregnant women with SIV, SIP, or Humanitarian status meet the definition of lawfully residing aliens for Medicaid and FAMIS/FAMIS MOMS coverage.

Afghan Special Immigrant visa holders will have either (1) a passport or I-94 form indicating category SI1, SI2, SI3, SQ1, SQ2, or SQ3 and bearing the Department of Homeland Security stamp or notation or an I-151 ("green card") indicating SI6, SI7, SI8, SQ6, SQ7, or SQ8.

Special Immigrant Parolees will have an I-94 form noting SQ or SI Parole (per section 602(B)(1) AAPA/Sec 1059(a) NDAA 2006).

If an individual has attested to eligible immigration status and is found otherwise eligible for Medicaid, but verification of that status cannot be obtained, do not deny or delay coverage. Enroll the individual and give a 90-day reasonable opportunity period.

Code	MEDICAID ALIEN CODE CHART QUALIFIED ALIEN GROUPS	Arrived Before August 22, 1996	Arrived On or After August 22, 1996	
			1st 5 years	After 5 years
A	Qualified aliens who are Veterans or Active Military (includes spouses/dependent children); certain American Indians [Form DD 214-veteran]	Full Benefit A1	Full Benefit A2	Full Benefit A3
B	Permanent Resident Aliens (Aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence) who have worked 40 qtrs., except Amerasians [I-151; AR-3a; I-551; I-327; I-688B-274a.12(a)(1)]	Full Benefit B1	Emergency Only B2	Full Benefit B3
C	Permanent Resident Aliens (Aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence) who have NOT worked 40 qtrs., except Amerasians and citizens of Micronesia, Marshall Islands, Palau [I-327; I-151; AR-3a; I-551; I688B-274 a.12(a)(1)]	Full Benefit C1	Emergency Only C2	Full Benefit effective 4-1-21 C1; Emergency Only for months prior to 4-21 C2
CC	*Compact of Free Association (COFA) migrants who are citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, or the Republic of Palau.*	Full Benefit CC1	Full Benefits effective 12-27-20. CC1; Emergency Only for months prior to 12-20. CC2	Full Benefit effective 12-27-20. CC1; Emergency Only prior to 12-20. CC2
D	Conditional entrants-aliens admitted pursuant to 8 U.S.C. 1153(a)(7), section 203(a)(7) of the INA [I-94]	Full Benefit D1	Emergency Only D2	*Full Benefit* D3
E	Aliens, other than Cuban or Haitian Entrants, paroled in the US pursuant to 8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5) section 212(d)(5) of INA [I-94; I-688B – 274a(12)(c)(11)] *Afghan Special Immigrant Parolees paroled into the United States between July 31, 2021, and September 30, 2022 will have an I-94 form noting SQ or SI Parole (per section 602(B)(1) AAPA/Sec 1059(a) NDAA 2006). They are eligible for full coverage without a 5-year waiting period. See Appendix 4.*	Full Benefit E1	Emergency Only E2	*Full Benefit* E3
I	Battered aliens, alien parents of battered children, alien children of battered parents [U.S. Attorney General]	Full Benefit I1	Emergency Only I2	*Full Benefit* I3
			1st 7 years	After 7 years
F	Aliens granted asylum pursuant to section 208 of the INA [I-94; I-688B – 274a.12(a)(5)]	Full Benefit F1	Full Benefit F2	Emergency Only F3
G	Aliens admitted as refugees pursuant to section 207 of the INA, or as Cuban or Haitian Entrants as defined in section 501(e) of Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980 {including those under section 212(d)(5)}, or Amerasians [I-551; I-94; I-688B]	Full Benefit G1	Full Benefit G2	Emergency Only G3
H	Aliens whose deportation has been withheld pursuant to Section 243(h) or 241(b)(3) of the INA [I-688B – 274a.12(a)(10); Immigration Judge's Order]	Full Benefit H1	Full Benefit H2	Emergency Only H3
J	Victims of a Severe Form of Trafficking pursuant to the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, P.L. 106-386 [ORR Certification/eligibility Letter]	N/A J1	Full Benefit J2	Emergency Only J3

	UNQUALIFIED ALIEN GROUPS **(cont.)**	**Arrived Before 8-22-96**	**Arrived On or After 8-22-96**	
T	Aliens granted suspension of deportation pursuant to Section 244 of the INA and whose deportation the USCIS does not contemplate enforcing [Immigration Judge Court Order]	Emergency Only T1	Emergency Only T2	Emergency Only T3
U	Any other aliens living in the US with the knowledge and permission of the USCIS whose departure the agency does not contemplate enforcing [USCIS Contact]	Emergency Only U1	Emergency Only U2	Emergency Only U3
V	Aliens not lawfully admitted or whose lawful admission status has expired* *For a pregnant woman who is not lawfully residing in the U.S., go to Chapter M23.	Emergency Only V1	Emergency Only V2	Emergency Only V3
W	Visitors (non-immigrants): tourists, diplomas, foreign students, temp. workers, etc. [I-688B – 274a.12(b)(1)-(20); I-94; I-185: I-I186; SW-434; I-95A]	Emergency Only W1	Emergency Only W2	Emergency Only W3

	LAWFULLY RESIDING NON-CITIZENS	**Effective 1/1/10**	**Effective 7/1/12**
Y	Non-citizen (alien) children under the age of 19 and pregnant women lawfully residing in the U.S. who meet the requirements in M0220.314.	Full Benefits for Medicaid children under age 19 (FAMIS Plus)	Full Benefits for Medicaid (FAMIS Plus), Medicaid pregnant women, FAMIS and FAMIS MOMS

	AFGHAN AND IRAQI SPECIAL IMMIGRANTS	**First 7 Years after Entry into U.S.**	**After 7 Years**
Z	Afghan and Iraqi Special Immigrants admitted on a Special Immigrant Visa (SIV), including the spouse and children under age 21 living in the home with the principal visa holder. [I-551 or passport/ I-94 indicating categories SI1, SI2, SI3, SQ1, SQ2, or SQ3 and bearing Department of Homeland Security stamp or notation] *For Afghan special immigrants admitted prior to being granted a Special Immigrant Visa, see M0220, Appendix 4.*	Full Benefits Z1	Emergency Only Z2

Alien Status Reference Guide

		Immigration Status	Eligible for Full Medicaid Benefits?	MMIS Code
Qualified Non-Citizen				
Arrived in U.S. before 8/22/1996	Exempt from 5 year waiting period and no time limit on eligibility	Lawful Permanent Resident	Yes	P
		Refugee under section 207	Yes	R
		Amerasian Immigrant	Yes	P
		Conditional Entrant Under Section 303(a)(7)	Yes	P
		Asylee Under Section 208	Yes	P
		Parolee under section 212(d)(5)	Yes	P
		Deportee whose deportation is withheld under section 243(h) or 241(b)(3)	Yes	P
		Cuban or Haitian Entrant	Yes	P
		Battered alien, alien parent of a battered child, and/or alien child of a battered parent	Yes	P
		Alien who arrived prior to 8/22/96 with unqualified status and who remained physically present in U.S. from date of entry to date of adjustment to a status listed above	Yes	See above
Arrived in U.S. on or after 8/22/1996	Has resided in the U.S. for 7 years or less; exempt from 5 year waiting period	Refugee	Yes	R
		Asylee	Yes	P
		Deportee	Yes	P
		Cuban or Haitian Entrant	Yes	P
		Victim of a severe form of trafficking	Yes	P
		Afghan or Iraqi immigrant admitted on a Special Immigrant Visa	Yes	P
Arrived in U.S. on or after 8/22/1996	Has resided in the U.S. for more than 7 years	Refugee	No—Eligible for Emergency Services Coverage Only	A
		Asylee		A
		Deportee		A
		Cuban or Haitian Entrant		A
		Victim of a severe form of trafficking		A
		Afghan or Iraqi immigrant admitted on a Special Immigrant Visa		A
Arrived in U.S. on or after 8/22/1996	Has resided in the U.S. for at least 5 years	*Effective 4-1-21*, Lawful Permanent Resident	Yes	P
		Conditional Entrants *Parolees, other than Cuban or Haitian Entrants* *Battered aliens, alien parents of battered children, alien children of battered parents*	*Yes*	*P*

		Immigration Status	Eligible for Full Medicaid Benefits?	MMIS Code
Non-Citizen				
No limitation on date of arrival to the U.S.	No time limitation on eligibility as long as covered group requirements are met	a. A qualified alien and veteran who was discharged honorably not on account of alienage, and who fulfills the minimum active-duty service requirements of section 5303A(d) of title 38, United States Code	Yes	P
		b. A qualified alien on active duty (other than active duty for training) in the Armed Forces of the United States (not in the Armed Forces Reserves)	Yes	R
		The spouse or the unmarried dependent child (see M0220.311 A) of a living (not deceased) qualified alien who meets the conditions in a. or b. above	Yes	P
		The unremarried surviving spouse of an individual described in a. or b. above who is deceased, if the spouse was married to the veteran • before the expiration of fifteen years after the termination of the period of service in which the injury or disease causing the death of the veteran was incurred or aggravated; or • for one year or more; or • for any period of time if a child was born of the marriage or was born to them before the marriage.	Yes	P
		Recipients of Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	Yes	P
		An alien who is • an American Indian born in Canada to whom the provisions of section 289 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) apply, or • a member of an Indian tribe (as defined in section 4(e) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b(e)),	Yes	P
		Compact of Free Association (COFA) migrants who are citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, or the Republic of Palau.	Yes Effective 12/27/20	P
Arrived in U.S. on or after 8/22/1996	Regardless of length of residency in U.S.	Individuals other than pregnant women with no immigration documents (undocumented) For a pregnant woman who is not lawfully residing in the U.S., go to Chapter M23.	No—Eligible for Emergency Services Coverage Only	A
		Deferred Action Childhood Arrivals (DACA)	No—Eligible for Emergency Services Coverage Only	A
		Individuals whose immigration status has expired and who do not meet any other immigration status	No—Eligible for Emergency Services Coverage Only	A
		Lawful Permanent Resident who has resided in the U.S. for fewer than 5 years, and/or prior to 4-1-21, without at least 40 qualify quarters of work coverage on record with the Social Security Administration. Effective 4-1-21, there is no longer a work requirement. The 5 year residency requirement remains in effect.	No—Eligible for Emergency Services Coverage Only	A

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application is pending for the disability determination. DDS does NOT stop the disability determination when the individual has excess income because of possible spenddown eligibility

4. LDSS Responsibilities for Communication with DDS

The LDSS must make every effort to provide DDS with complete and accurate information and shall report all changes in address, medical condition, and earnings to the DDS on pending applications.

5. Evaluation for Plan First and Referral to Health Insurance Marketplace

While an individual's application is pending during the non-expedited disability determination process, evaluate his eligibility *in non-ABD covered groups (e.g. MAGI Adults and* Plan First). *If the individual is not eligible for full Medicaid coverage,* refer the individual to the Health Insurance Marketplace (HIM) for evaluation for the Advance Premium Tax Credit (APTC).

H. Notification of DDS Decision to LDSS

1. Hospitalized Individuals

The DDS will advise the agency of the applicant's disability status as soon as it is determined by either SSA or the DDS. For hospitalized individuals who meet the requirements for an expedited disability determination, DDS will fax the outcome of the disability determination directly to the LDSS responsible for processing the application and enrolling the eligible individual.

2. Individuals Not Hospitalized

For all other disability determinations, DDS will notify the LDSS responsible for processing the application and enrolling the eligible individual by an alert in VaCMS. If the claim is denied, DDS will also include a personalized denial notice to be sent to the applicant explaining the outcome of his disability determination.

3. Disability Cannot Be Determined Timely

A disability determination cannot be completed within the allotted time when there is missing or incomplete medical information. DDS will notify the applicant about 75 days from the application date of the delay. DDS will notify the LDSS by an alert in VaCMS. The LDSS must send the applicant a Notice of Action to extend the pending application.

4. DDS Rescinds Disability Denial

DDS will notify the agency if it rescinds its denial of an applicant's disability to continue an evaluation of the individual's medical evidence. If the Medicaid application has been denied, the agency must reopen the application and notify the applicant of the action. The application continues to pend until notification is received from DDS of the disability determination. If an appeal has been filed with DMAS, the agency must notify the DMAS Appeals Division so that the appeal may be closed (see M1650.100).

I. LDSS Action & Notice to the Applicant

The eligibility worker must complete the Medicaid eligibility determination immediately after receiving notice of the applicant's disability status and send the applicant a Notice of Action regarding the disability determination and the agency's decision on the Medicaid application.

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TN #DMAS-3	1/1/17	Pages 11, 27, 29, 40, 41, 44, 45, 52
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TN #DMAS-1	6/1/16	Table of Contents, page i Pages 1, 11, 25-27, 46-49 Page 50 is a runover page.
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TN #97	9/1/12	Table of Contents Pages 1-56 (all pages)
UP #6	4/1/12	Pages 11, 12, 46a
TN #96	10/1/11	Table of Contents Pages 46f-50b Page 50c deleted
TN #95	3/1/10	Pages 11, 12, 42c, 42d, 50, 53, 69 Pages 70, 71 Page 72 added.
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Note: There was no COLA in 2010, 2011 or 2016.

The Cost-of-living calculation formula
(The formula is the current Title II Benefit divided by the percentage increase to equal the benefit amount before the COLA change):

a. *Current Title II Benefit* = *Benefit Before 1/22 COLA*
1.059 (1/22 Increase)

b. *Benefit Before 1/22 COLA* = Benefit Before 1/21 COLA
1.013 (1/21 Increase)

c. Benefit Before 1/21/ COLA = Benefit Before 1/20 COLA
1.016 (1/20 Increase)

d. Benefit Before 1/20 COLA = Benefit Before 1/19 COLA
1.028 (1/19 Increase)

5. Medicare Premiums

a. Medicare Part B premium amounts:

1-1-22 $170.10
1-1-21…$148.50
1-1-20 $144.60
1-1-19 $135.50
1-1-18 $134.00

Note: These figures are based on the individual becoming entitled to Medicare during the year listed. The individual's actual Medicare Part B premium may differ depending on when he became entitled to Medicare. **Verify the individual's Medicare Part B premium in SVES or SOLQ-I if it is necessary to know the premium amount for Medicaid eligibility or post-eligibility purposes.**

b. Medicare Part A premium amount:

1-1-22 $499.00
1-1-21 $471.00
1-1-20 $458.00
1-1-19 $437.00
1-1-18 $422.00

Contact a Medical Assistance Program Consultant for amounts for years prior to 2016.

6. Evaluation

Individuals who are eligible when a cost-of-living increase is excluded are eligible.

b. Ongoing eligibility

Once the individual is enrolled in MEDICAID WORKS, the following resource policies apply:

1) For **earnings** accumulated **after** enrollment in MEDICAID WORKS, up to the current 1619(b) income threshold amount will be disregarded if deposited and retained in the WIN Account. The current 1619(b) threshold amount is *$46,340*.

2) Resources accumulated while in MEDICAID WORKS and held in Internal Revenue Service (IRS)-approved retirement accounts, medical or health savings accounts, medical reimbursement (flex) accounts, education accounts, independence accounts, and other similar State-approved accounts are excluded. Examples of these accounts include Archer Medical Savings Accounts, 401(k)/403(b)/457(b)/503(b) accounts, traditional Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs), Roth IRAs, SEP-IRAs, SIMPLE IRAs, and Thrift Savings Plans. The account must be designated as a WIN Account in order to be excluded. **Resources accumulated while in MEDICAID WORKS and held in IRS-approved accounts that have been designated as WIN**

Accounts are also excluded in all future Medicaid determinations for former MEDICAID WORKS enrollees. The account must be exclusively used to hold resources accumulated while in MEDICAID WORKS (including interest) in order for the exclusion to continue.

3) For **all** other resources, the resource requirements in chapter S11 and Appendix 2 to chapter S11 apply. All of the individual's countable, nonexempt resources must be verified and evaluated.

All nonexempt resources must be added together to determine if the individual meets the Medicaid resource requirements. The resource limit for resources not excluded in 1) or 2) above is $2,000 for an individual.

3. Income

a. Initial eligibility determination

For the initial eligibility determination on or after July 1, 2021, the limit for total countable income (unearned and earned) is less than or equal to 138% of the FPL ($1,482 per month for an individual or $2,004 when the applicant has an ABD spouse who is also applying for or covered by Medicaid). The income requirements in chapter S08 must be met. Individuals who receive SSI or who have 1619(b) status are considered to meet the income requirements and no evaluation of income is necessary for the initial eligibility determination (see M0320.101).

b. Ongoing eligibility

Once the individual is enrolled in MEDICAID WORKS, the following income policies apply:

1) The income limit for earned income is $6,250 per month ($75,000 per year) (no change for *2022*) as long as the funds are deposited in a WIN Account. The policy for determining countable earned income is contained in subchapter S0820.

   If the individual is self-employed, net earnings from self-employment (NESE) must be demonstrated through documentation of Internal Revenue Service (IRS) filings, quarterly estimated taxes, business records, and/or business plans. The individual's signed allegation of self-employment is acceptable if no other evidence of NESE can be obtained. Follow the policy in S0820.220 for determining NESE.

2) The income limit for unearned income remains less than or equal to 138% of the FPL. The policy for determining countable unearned income is contained in subchapter S0830.

3) Any increase in an enrollee's Social Security Disability benefits resulting from employment as a MEDICAID WORKS participant OR as a result of a COLA adjustment to the Social Security Disability benefits will not be counted as long as the increase is regularly deposited upon receipt into the individual's WIN account.

4) Unemployment insurance benefits received due to loss of employment through no fault of the individual's own are not counted during the six-month safety net period (see M0320.400 G) as income as long as the payments are regularly deposited upon receipt into the individual's WIN account.

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Deeming Allocations

The deeming policy determines how much of a legally responsible relative's income is deemed to the applicant/recipient. The allocation amount increases automatically whenever the SSI payment limit increases.

NBD (Non-blind/disabled) Child Allocation

The NBD child allocation is equal to the difference between the SSI payment for two persons and the SSI payment for one person.

SSI payment for couple - SSI payment for one person = NBD child allocation

2022: $1,261 - $841 = $420
2021: $1,191 - $794 = $397

Parental Living Allowance

The living allowance for one parent living with the child is the SSI payment for one person.

SSI payment for one person = *$841 for 2022*; $794 for 2021.

The living allowance for both parents living with the child is the SSI payment for a couple.

SSI payment for both parents = *$1,261 for 2022*; $1,191 for 2021.

Deeming Standard

The NABD (non-age/blind/disabled) spouse deeming standard is the difference between the SSI payment for two persons and the SSI payment for one person.

SSI payment for couple - SSI payment for one person = deeming standard

2022: $1,261 - $841 = $420
2021: $1,191 - $794 = $397

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GENERAL

M0810.001 INCOME AND ELIGIBILITY

A. Introduction

The following sections explain how to treat income in the Medicaid program. This chapter explains how we count income.

B. Policy Principles

1. Who is Eligible

An individual is eligible for Medicaid if the person:

- meets a covered group; and
- meets the nonfinancial requirements; and
- meets the covered group's resource limits; and
- meets the covered group's income limits.

2. General Income Rules

- Count income on a monthly basis.
- Not all income counts in determining eligibility.
- If an individual's countable income exceeds a classification's monthly limit, a medically needy spenddown may be established, if appropriate.

M0810.002 INCOME LIMITS

A. Income Limits

The Medicaid covered group determines which income limit to use to determine eligibility.

1. Categorically Needy

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and State Supplement (Auxiliary Grant) recipient's money payments meet the income eligibility criteria in the ABD Categorically Needy covered group.

2. Categorically Needy Protected Cases Only

Categorically-Needy Protected Covered Groups Which Use SSI Income Limits		
Family Unit Size	2021 Monthly Amount	*2022 Monthly Amount*
1	$794	*$841*
2	1,191	*1,261*
Individual or Couple Whose Total Food and Shelter Needs Are Contributed to Him or Them		
Family Unit Size	2021 Monthly Amount	*2022 Monthly Amount*
1	$529.34	*$560.67*
2	794.00	*840.67*

3. Categorically Needy 300% of SSI

For the covered groups that use the 300% of SSI income limit, all income is counted (even excluded income) when screening at 300% of SSI. Do not count any monies which are defined as "what is not income" in S0815.000.

Family Size Unit	2021 Monthly Amount	*2022 Monthly Amount*
1	$2,382	*$2,523*

4. ABD Medically Needy

a. Group I	7/1/20 – 6/30/21		7/1/21	
Family Unit Size	Semi-annual	Monthly	Semi-annual	Monthly
1	$1,993.11	$332.18	$2,019.02	$336.50
2	2,537.36	422.89	2,570.31	428.38

b. Group II	7/1/20 – 6/30/21		7/1/21	
Family Unit Size	Semi-annual	Monthly	Semi-annual	Monthly
1	$2,299.75	$383.29	$2,329.65	$388.27
2	2,831.85	471.97	2,868.64	478.40

c. Group III	7/1/20 – 6/30/21		7/1/21	
Family Unit Size	Semi-annual	Monthly	Semi-annual	Monthly
1	$2,989.69	$498.28	$3,028.56	$504.76
2	3,604.37	600.72	3,651.15	608.52

5. ABD Categorically Needy

For:

ABD 80% FPL, QMB, SLMB, & QI <u>without</u> Social Security income; all QDWI; effective 1/13/21

ABD 80% FPL, QMB, SLMB, & QI <u>with</u> Social Security income; effective 3/1/21

All Localities	2020		2021	
ABD 80% FPL	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly
1	$10,208	$851	$10,304	$859
2	13,792	1,150	13,936	1,162
QMB 100% FPL	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly
1	$12,760	$1,064	$12,880	$1,074
2	17,240	1,437	17,420	1,452
SLMB 120% of FPL	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly
1	$15,312	$1,276	$15,456	$1,288
2	20,688	1,724	20,904	1,742
QI 135% FPL	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly
1	$17,226	$1,436	$17,388	$1,449
2	23,274	1,940	23,517	1,960
QDWI 200% of FPL	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly
1	$25,520	$2,127	$25,760	$2,147
2	34,480	2,874	34,840	2,904

M0810.005 WHAT IS INCOME

A. Policy Principles

1. Definitions

Income is

- cash, or
- its equivalent, unless specifically listed in M0815 as not being income.

Income is counted in U.S. dollars.

2. Amount

Sometimes income includes more or less than is actually received, for example:

- Expenses of obtaining income (less)
- Garnishment (more)
- Gross earnings, before any deductions (more).

B. References

- What is not income, S0815.001ff.
- Garnishment, S0810.025.
- Expenses of obtaining income, S0830.100.
- Wages, S0820.100.

S0810.007 INCOME EXCLUSIONS

A. Introduction

Medicaid eligibility is based on countable income. See S0810.300 B.1. for the definition of countable income (CI). In determining CI, consider any income exclusions.

Some exclusions totally negate the amount of income received. Other exclusions reduce the amount counted. For example, any income may be wholly excluded (not counted) if it meets the criteria for exclusion of income received infrequently or irregularly.

B. Definition

Excluded income is an amount which is income but does not count in determining eligibility.

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3. Other Earned Income

Then, other income exclusions are applied, in the following order, to the rest of earned income in the month:

a. Federal earned income tax credit payments.

b. Up to $10 of earned income in a month if it is infrequent or irregular.

c. For *2022*, up to *$2,040* per month, but not more than *$8,230* in a calendar year, of the earned income of a blind or disabled student child.

For 2021, up to $1,930 per month, but not more than $7,770 in a calendar year, of the earned income of a blind or disabled student child.

d. Any portion of the $20 monthly general income exclusion which has not been excluded from unearned income in that same month.

e. $65 of earned income in a month.

f. Earned income of disabled individuals used to pay impairment-related work expenses.

g. One-half of remaining earned income in a month.

h. Earned income of blind individuals used to meet work expenses.

i. Any earned income used to fulfill an approved plan to achieve self-support.

4. Unused Exclusion

Earned income is never reduced below zero. Any unused earned income exclusion is never applied to unearned income.

Any unused portion of a monthly exclusion cannot be carried over for use in subsequent months.

5. Couples

The $20 general and $65 earned income exclusions are applied only once to a couple, even when both members (whether eligible or ineligible) have income, since the couple's earned income is combined in determining Medicaid eligibility.

B. References

For exclusions which apply to both earned and unearned income, see:

- S0810.410 for infrequent/irregular income
- S0810.420 $20 general exclusion
- M0810.430 amount to fulfill a plan for achieving self-support

For exclusions applicable only to earned income, see S0820.510 - S0820.570.

S0820.510 STUDENT CHILD EARNED INCOME EXCLUSION

A. Policy

1. General

For a blind or disabled child who is a student regularly attending school, earned income is excluded under this provision, limited to the maximum amounts shown below.

For Months	Up to per month	But not more than in a calendar year
In calendar year 2022	*$2.040*	*$8,230*
In calendar year 2021	$1,930	$7,770

2. Qualifying for the Exclusion

The individual must be:

- a child under age 22; and
- a student regularly attending school.

3. Earnings Received Prior to Month of Eligibility

Earnings received prior to the month of eligibility do not count toward the yearly limit.

4. Future Increases

The monthly and yearly limits will be adjusted annually based on increases in the cost of living index. Under this calculation, these amounts will never be lower than the previous year's amounts. However, there may be years when no increases result from the calculation.

B. Procedure

1. Application of the Exclusion

Apply the exclusion:

- consecutively to months in which there is earned income until the exclusion is exhausted or the individual is no longer a child; and
- only to a student child's own income.

2. School Attendance and Earnings

Develop the following factors and record them:

- whether the child was regularly attending school in at least 1 month of the current calendar quarter, or expects to attend school for at least 1 month in the next calendar quarter, and
- the amount of the child's earned income (including payments from Neighborhood Youth corps, Work-Study, and similar programs).

Verify wages of a student child even if they are alleged to be $65 or less per month.

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OVERVIEW

M1110.001 ROLE OF RESOURCES

A. Introduction

As a program based on need, Medicaid uses the value of a person's countable resources as one of two financial criteria in determining eligibility. The other criterion is income.

B. Policy Principles

1. Monthly Determinations

Eligibility with respect to resources is a determination made for each calendar month, beginning with the month of application or, if retroactive eligibility is being determined, the third month prior to the month in which the application is submitted. Resource eligibility exists for the full month if countable resources were at or below the applicable resource limit for any part of the month.

2. Countable Resources

Not everything a person owns (i.e., not every asset) is a resource and not all resources count against the resource limit. *The location of a resource does not by itself exclude the resource. "*The Social Security Act and other Federal statutes require the exclusion of certain types and amounts of resources. Any assets that are resources but not specifically excluded are "countable." See:

- M1110.003 B.2. for the resource limits;
- S1110.100 for the distinction between assets and resources; and
- S1110.210 for a listing of exclusions.

3. Whose Resources Can Count

Medicaid law specifies that resources are only considered available between spouses and from parents to their children under age 21, and for certain blind and disabled children ages 18 to 21.

See M1110.530 for blind and disabled children age 18 to 21.

4. Whose Resources Can Not Count

Medicaid law will not allow certain resources to be considered in determining eligibility. Do not count resources:

- From a step-parent.
- From siblings.
- From spouse or parent living apart unless it is a voluntary financial contribution. (Exception for Long-term care)
- From an alien sponsor.

M1110.003 RESOURCE LIMITS

A. Introduction

The resource limit is the maximum dollar amount of countable assets an individual, couple, or family may own and still meet the established criteria for Medical Assistance in an ABD category. These amounts are established by law.

B. Policy Principles

1. Resource Ineligibility

An individual (or couple) with countable resources in excess of the applicable limit is not eligible for Medicaid.

2. Resource Limits

ABD Eligible Group	One Person	Two People
Categorically Needy Medically Needy	$2,000	$3,000
ABD with Income ≤ 80% FPL	$2,000	$3,000
QDWI	$4,000	$6,000
QMB SLMB QI	**Calendar Year** **2021** $7,970 ***2022*** *$8,400*	**Calendar Year** **2021** $11,960 ***2022*** *$12,600*

3. Change in Marital Status

A change in marital status can result in a change to the applicable resource limit. The resource limit change is effective with the month that we begin treating both members of a couple as individuals. For example, separation from an ineligible spouse can change the limit from $3,000 to $2,000. See M1110.530 B.

4. Reduction of Excess Resources

Month of Application

Excess resources throughout the month of application causes ineligibility for the application month. Reduction of excess resources within the application month can cause resource eligibility for that month.

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11. Old Bills

Old bills are unpaid medical, dental, or remedial care expenses which:

- were incurred prior to the Medicaid application month and the application's retroactive period,
- were not fully deducted from (counted in) any previous spenddown budget period where the spenddown was met, and
- remain a liability to the individual.

EXCEPTION: Bills paid by a state or local program and which meet the definition of "old bills" are treated as old bills even though they are not the individual's liability.

12. Projected Expenses

Expenses for services that have not yet been incurred but are reasonably expected to be incurred are projected expenses.

13. Spenddown Liability

The spenddown liability is the amount by which the individual's countable income exceeds the MNIL for the budget period.

M1460.150 SUBSTANTIAL HOME EQUITY PRECLUDES ELIGIBILITY FOR LTSS

A. Applicability

The policy in this section applies to nursing facility and CBC/PACE patients, including MAGI Adults effective January 1, 2019, who meet the requirements for LTC services, now called long term services and supports (LTSS), on or after January 1, 2006. This includes individuals who filed reapplications after a break in Medicaid eligibility. It does **not apply** to Medicaid recipients who were approved for LTSS prior to January 1, 2006, and who maintain continuous Medicaid eligibility.

For Medicaid applicants or enrollees approved for LTSS on or after July 1, 2006, the amount of equity in the home at the time of the initial LTSS determination and at each renewal must be evaluated.

B. Policy

Individuals with equity value (tax assessed value minus encumbrances) in home property that exceeds the limit are NOT eligible for Medicaid payment of LTSS unless the home is occupied by

- a spouse,
- a dependent child under age 21 years, or
- a blind or disabled child of any age.

If substantial home equity exists, the individual is not evaluated for or eligible for the Medicaid payment of LTSS. Do not evaluate asset transfers.

An individual with excess home equity is not eligible in the 300% of SSI covered group, but may be eligible for Medicaid payment of covered services other than LTSS if he is eligible in another covered group. Evaluate eligibility for an individual with substantial home equity in other covered groups.

1. Home Equity Limit

The applicable home equity limit is based on the date of the application or request for LTC coverage. The home equity limit is:

- Effective January 1, 2020: $595,000
- Effective January 1, 2021: $603,000
- *Effective January 1, 2022: $636,000.*

6. Domestic Travel Tickets Gifts of domestic travel tickets [1612(b)(15)].

7. Victim's Compensation Victim's compensation provided by a state.

8. Tech-related Assistance Tech-Related Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities [ref. P.L. 100-407].

9. $20 General Exclusion $20 a month general income exclusion for the unit.

EXCEPTION: Certain veterans (VA) benefits are not subject to the $20 income exclusion. Refer to subchapter S0830 for complete explanation of which VA payments are entitled to the $20 general exclusion.

10. PASS Income Any unearned income used to fulfill an SSI approved plan to achieve self-support (PASS). See item 12 below for earned income used to fulfill a PASS [1612(b) (4)(A) & (B)].

11. Earned Income Exclusions The following earned income exclusions are not deducted for the 300% SSI group:

a. For *2022*, up to *$2,040* per month, but not more than *$8,230* in a calendar year, of the earned income of a blind or disabled student child.

For 2021, up to $1,930 per month, but not more than $7,770 in a calendar year, of the earned income of a blind or disabled student child.

b. Any portion of the $20 monthly general income exclusion which has not been excluded from unearned income in that same month [1612(b) (2)(A)].

c. $65 of earned income in a month [1612(b) (4)(C)].

d. IRWE - earned income of disabled individuals used to pay impairment-related work expenses [1612(b) (4)(B)].

e. One-half of remaining earned income in a month [1612(b) (4)(C)].

f. BWE - Earned income of blind individuals used to meet work expenses [1612(b) (4)(A)].

g. Earned income used to fulfill an SSI approved plan to achieve self-support (PASS) [1612(b) (4)(A) & (B)].

12. Child Support Child support payments received from an absent parent for a blind or Disabled child [1612(b) (9)].

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M1470.410 MEDICAID CBC - PERSONAL MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

A. Individuals

For the month of entry and subsequent months, deduct from the patient's gross monthly countable income a personal maintenance allowance (PMA). The amount of the allowance depends upon under which Medicaid CBC waiver the patient receives LTC services.

The total amount of the PMA cannot exceed 300% SSI.

1. Basic Maintenance Allowance

Patients receiving Medicaid CBC under the following waivers are allowed a monthly basic PMA:

- Commonwealth Coordinated Care Plus (CCC Plus) Waiver (formerly the Elderly or Disabled with Consumer-Direction Waiver and the Technology-Assisted Individuals Waiver),
- Community Living (CL) Waiver (formerly Intellectual Disabilities Waiver),
- Family and Individual Supports (IS) Waiver (formerly Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities Support Waiver), and
- Building Independence (BI) Waiver (formerly Day Support Waiver).

Individuals enrolled in the Program for All Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) are also allowed the basic PMA.

The PMA is:

- January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021: $1,311
- *January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022: $1,388.*

Contact a Medical Assistance Program Consultant for the PMA in effect for years prior to 2018.

2. Guardianship Fee

Deduct an amount up to 5% of the patient's gross monthly income (including amounts not counted as income and excluded income) for guardianship fees, if the patient has a legally appointed guardian or conservator AND the guardian or conservator charges a fee. The guardianship **filing** fees CANNOT be deducted from the individual's income. Document how it was determined that the guardian/conservator charges a fee and the amount of the fee.

No deduction is allowed if the patient's guardian receives a payment for providing guardianship services from a public agency or organization that receives funding for guardianship services.

No deduction is allowed for representative payee or "power of attorney" fees or expenses.

3. Special Earnings Allowance for Recipients in CCC Plus, CL, IS and BI Waivers

Deduct the following special earnings allowance if the patient is working (the work does NOT have to be part of treatment). The special earnings allowance is deducted from earned income only. Deduct:

a. for individuals employed 20 hours or more per week, all earned income up to 300% of SSI (*$2,523* in *2022*) per month.

b. for individuals employed at least 4 but less than 20 hours per week, all earned income up to 200% of SSI (*$1,682* in *2022*) per month.

4. Example – Special Earnings Allowance (Using January 2018 figures)

A working patient receiving CCC Plus Waiver services is employed 18 hours per week. His income is gross earnings of $1228.80 per month and SSA of $300 monthly. His special earnings allowance is calculated by comparing his gross earned income ($1128.80) to the 200% of SSI maximum ($1,500.00). His gross earned income is less than 200% of SSI; therefore, he is entitled to a special earnings allowance. His personal maintenance allowance is computed as follows:

$ 1,238.00 CBC basic maintenance allowance
+ 1,128.80 special earnings allowance
$ 2,360.80 PMA

Because the PMA may not exceed 300% of SSI, the PMA for the patient in this example must be reduced to $2,250.00.

B. Couples

The Medicaid CBC waivers do not specify personal maintenance allowances for a married couple living together when both spouses receive Medicaid CBC because each spouse is considered an individual for patient pay purposes. The individual maintenance allowance in section M1470.410 applies to each spouse in a couple when each receives Medicaid CBC.

M1470.420 DEPENDENT CHILD ALLOWANCE

A. Unmarried Individual, or Married Individual With No Community Spouse

For an unmarried Medicaid CBC patient, or a married Medicaid CBC patient without a community spouse, who has a dependent child(ren) under age 21 years in the community:

- Calculate the difference between the appropriate MN income limit for the **child's** home locality for the number of children in the home and the child(ren)'s gross monthly income. If the children are living in different homes, the children's allowances are calculated separately using the MN income limit for the number of the patient's dependent children in each home.

    - The result is the dependent child allowance. If the result is greater than $0, deduct it from the patient's income as the dependent child allowance. If the result is $0 or less, do not deduct a dependent child allowance.

Do not deduct an allowance if the child(ren)'s monthly income exceeds the MN income limit in the child's home locality for the number of dependent children in the home. Do not deduct an allowance for any other family member.

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TN #97	9/1/12	Pages 3, 6, 8b, 16 Pages 20-25 Page 20a was deleted.
UP #7	7/1/12	Pages 11, 14, 18c, 21 Pages 32, 66, 67, 69
UP #6	4/1/12	Pages 7, 18c, 66, 68, 69, 70
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27. Spousal Share means ½ of the couple's combined countable resources at the beginning of the **first** continuous period of institutionalization, as determined by a resource assessment.

28. Spouse means a person who is legally married to another person under Virginia law.

29. Waiver Services means Medicaid-reimbursed home or community-based services covered under a 1915(c) waiver approved by the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

M1480.015 SUBSTANTIAL HOME EQUITY PRECLUDES ELIGIBILITY FOR LONG-TERM CARE

A. Applicability

The policy in this section applies to nursing facility and CBC/PACE patients, who meet the requirements for LTC services, now called long term services and supports (LTSS), on or after January 1, 2006. This includes individuals who filed reapplications after a break in Medicaid eligibility. It does **not apply** to Medicaid recipients who were approved for LTSS prior to January 1, 2006, and who maintain continuous Medicaid eligibility.

For Medicaid applicants or enrollees approved for LTSS on or after July 1, 2006, the amount of equity in the home at the time of the initial LTC determination and at each renewal must be evaluated. For the purposes of the home equity evaluation, the definition of the home in M1130.100 A.2 is used; the home means the house and lot used as the principal residence and all contiguous property, as long as the value of the land, exclusive of the lot occupied by the house, does not exceed $5,000.

B. Policy

Individuals with equity value (tax assessed value minus encumbrances) in home property that exceeds the limit are NOT eligible for Medicaid payment of long-term care services unless the home is occupied by:

- a spouse,
- a dependent child under age 21 years, or
- a blind or disabled child of any age.

If substantial home equity exists, the individual is not evaluated for or eligible for the Medicaid payment of LTSS. Do not evaluate asset transfers.

An individual with excess home equity is not eligible in the 300% of SSI covered group, but may be eligible for Medicaid payment of covered services other than LTSS if he is eligible in another covered group. Evaluate eligibility for an individual with substantial home equity in other covered groups.

2. Home Equity Limit

The applicable home equity limit is based on the date of the application or request for LTSS coverage. Effective January 1, 2011, the home equity limit is subject to change annually. The home equity limit is:

- Effective January 1, 2021: $603,000
- *Effective January 1, 2022: $636,000*.

2. Reverse Mortgages

Reverse mortgages **do not** reduce equity value until the individual begins receiving the reverse mortgage payments from the lender.

2. After Eligibility is Established

Once an institutionalized spouse has established Medicaid eligibility as an institutionalized spouse, count only the institutionalized spouse's resources when determining the institutionalized spouse's Medicaid eligibility. Do not count or deem the community spouse's resources available to the institutionalized spouse.

If an institutionalized spouse's Medicaid coverage was cancelled and he reapplies as an institutionalized individual, use only the resources of the institutionalized spouse for his eligibility determination.

M1480.231 SPOUSAL RESOURCE STANDARDS

A. Introduction

This section provides the amounts and the effective dates of the standards used to determine an institutionalized spouse's initial and ongoing resource eligibility. Use the standard in effect on the date of the institutionalized spouse's Medicaid application. Definitions of the terms are found in section M1480.010.

B. Spousal Resource Standard	*$27,480*	*1-1-22*
	$26,076	1-1-21
C. Maximum Spousal Resource Standard	*$137,400*	*1-1-22*
	$130,380	1-1-21

M1480.232 INITIAL ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION PERIOD

A. Policy

The initial eligibility determination period begins with the month of application. If the institutionalized spouse is eligible for the month of application, the initial eligibility determination period will both begin and end with that month.

After eligibility is established, the usual reporting and notification processes apply. Send written notice for the month(s) during which the individual establishes Medicaid eligibility. VaCMS will generate the "Notice of Patient Pay Responsibility" and it will be sent to the individual or his authorized representative.

M1480.400 PATIENT PAY

A. Introduction

This section contains the policy and procedures for determining an institutionalized spouse's (as defined in section M1480.010 above) patient pay in all covered groups.

B. Married With Institutionalized Spouse in a Facility

For a married long-term services and support (LTSS) patient with an institutionalized spouse in a facility, **NO** amount of the patient's income is deducted for the spouse's needs in the patient pay calculation.

M1480.410 MAINTENANCE STANDARDS & ALLOWANCES

Introduction

This subsection contains the standards and their effective dates that are used to determine the community spouse's and other family members' income allowances. The income allowances are deducted from the institutionalized spouse's gross monthly income when determining the monthly patient pay amount. Definitions of these terms are in section M1480.010 above.

B. Monthly Maintenance Needs Allowance	$2,155.00	7-1-20		
	$2,177.50	7-1-21		
C. Maximum Monthly Maintenance Needs Allowance	$3,259.50	1-1-21		
	$3,435.00	*1-1-22*		
D. Excess Shelter Standard	$646.50	7-1-20		
	$653.25	7-1-21		
E. Utility Standard Deduction (SNAP)	$302.00	1 - 3 household members	10-1-20	
	$377.00	4 or more household members	10-1-20	
	$322.00	1 - 3 household members	10-1-21	
	$402.00	4 or more household members	10-1-21	

M1480.420 PATIENT PAY FOR ABD 80% FPL AND 300% SSI INSTITUTIONALIZED SPOUSE

A. Policy

After a 300% SSI or ABD 80% FPL institutionalized spouse has been found eligible for Medicaid, determine his patient pay (post-eligibility treatment of income).

$875 gross earned income
- 75 first $75 per month
800 remainder
÷ 2
400 ½ remainder
+ 75 first $75 per month
$475 which is > $190

His personal needs allowance is calculated as follows:

$ 40.00 basic personal needs allowance
+190.00 special earnings allowance
+ 17.50 guardianship fee (2% of $875)
$247.50 personal needs allowance

2. Medicaid CBC Waiver Services and PACE

a. Basic Maintenance Allowance

For the Commonwealth Coordinated Care Plus (CC Plus) Waiver (formerly the Elderly or Disabled with Consumer Direction Waiver and the Technology-Assisted Individuals Waiver), Community Living (CL) Waiver (formerly Intellectual Disabilities Waiver), Family and Individual Supports (IS) Waiver (formerly Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities Support Waiver), Building Independence (BI) Waiver (formerly Day Support Waiver), or PACE, deduct the appropriate maintenance allowance for one person as follows:

- January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021: $1,311
- *January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022: $1,388*.

Contact a Medical Assistance Program Consultant for the amount in effect for years prior to 2017.

b. Guardian Fee

Deduct the actual fee a guardian or conservator charges, up to a maximum of 5% of the patient's actual gross income (including amounts not counted as income and excluded amounts) for guardianship fees, IF:

* the patient has a legally appointed guardian or conservator AND
* the guardian or conservator charges a fee.

Document how you determined that the guardian/conservator charges a fee and the amount of the fee.

NOTES: No deduction is allowed for representative payee or "power of attorney" fees or expenses. No deduction is allowed if the patient's guardian receives a payment for providing guardianship services from a public agency or organization that receives funding for guardianship services. The guardianship filing fees CANNOT be deducted from the individual's income.

c. Special Earnings Allowance For CCC Plus, CL, IS, and BI Waivers

[EXAMPLE #19 was deleted]

For the CCC Plus, CL, IS, and BI waivers, deduct the following special earnings allowance if the patient is working (the work does NOT have to be part of treatment). The special earnings allowance is deducted from earned income only. Deduct:

- for individuals employed 20 hours or more per week, all earned income up to 300% of SSI (*$2,523* in 2022) per month.

- for individuals employed at least 4 but less than 20 hours per week, all earned income up to 200% of SSI (*$1,682* in *2022*) per month.

The total of the basic maintenance allowance, the guardianship fee and the special earnings allowance cannot exceed 300% SSI.

EXAMPLE #20: (Using January 2000 figures)

A working patient in the CL Waiver is employed 18 hours per week. He has gross earnings of $928.80 per month and SS of $300 monthly. His special earnings allowance is calculated first:

$ 928.80	gross earned income
- 1,024.00	200% SSI maximum
$ 0	remainder

$928.80 = special earnings allowance

His personal maintenance allowance is calculated as follows:

$ 512.00	maintenance allowance
+ 928.80	special earnings allowance
$1,440.80	personal maintenance allowance

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TN #DMAS-16	4/1/20	Pages 5, 6, 12, 13 Pages 14 and 15 are runover pages.
TN #DMAS-14	10/1/19	Pages 2b, 4, 5-7
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TN #DMAS-8	4/1/18	Pages 2, 8a, 8b Page 8c was added.
TN #DMAS-6	10/1/17	Table of Contents Pages 1, 2 Page 2a is a runover page. Page 2b was added as a runover page.
TN #DMAS-5	7/1/17	Page 1 Page 2 is a runover page.
TN #DMAS-4	4/1/17	Pages 2a, 10
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TN #DMAS-1	6/1/16	Pages 2 Pages 1 and 2a are runover pages.
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UP #10	5/1/14	Table of Contents Pages 7-8a Page 8b was added.
TN #99	1/1/14	Table of Contents Pages 1, 2, 8, 8a, 9-11 Page 11a was added.
UP #9	4/1/13	Pages 2-7, 10-12, 14
UP #7	7/1/12	Pages 8, 9
TN #96	10/01/11	Pages 8a, 10
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TN #94	9/1/10	Pages 2a, 8-8a
TN #93	1/1/10	Page 6
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B. Coverage End Date

Medicaid entitlement ends the last day of the month in which the recipient fails to meet all of the Medicaid eligibility requirements, unless the recipient is a CN pregnant woman or is age 22 or over, but under age 65 and was admitted to an IMD.

Medicaid coverage is canceled on the last day of the month in which the agency determines that the recipient no longer meets the eligibility requirements IF the agency can send an advance notice to the recipient at least 11 days before the last day of the month. If the agency cannot send the notice at least 11 days before the end of the month, coverage is canceled effective the last day of the next month.

1. CN Pregnant Woman

After eligibility is established, a pregnant woman in any CN covered group continues to be eligible for Medicaid during the remainder of her pregnancy and the 60-day post-partum period regardless of any changes in family income, as long she continues to meet all non-financial criteria.

2. Individual Admitted to Ineligible Institution Other than an IMD

Cancel coverage as soon as possible after learning of the enrollee's admission to an ineligible institution. **DO NOT cancel coverage retroactively.** Cancel coverage effective the current date (date the worker enters the cancel transaction in the system)." **An Advance Notice of Proposed Action is not required.** Send a Notice of Action to the enrollee or his authorized representative informing him of the cancel date and the reason.

Note: An individual of any age who is **enrolled in Medicaid** at the time of admission to an **IMD** may remain enrolled in Medicaid. **Do not cancel coverage**. The Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) will coordinate with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to ensure that no unauthorized FFP occurs for individuals age 22 years or over but under age 65 years.

3. Spenddown Enrollees

Medicaid entitlement ends on the last day of the last month in the spenddown budget period, unless the individual's or family's circumstances change before that date.

C. Ongoing Entitlement After Resources Are Reduced

When an applicant has excess resources throughout the application month, he is not eligible for Medicaid for the month of application. An applicant who reduces excess resources during the month of application or a subsequent month before action is taken on the application may become eligible in the month in which the value of his resources is reduced to, or below, the Medicaid resource limit. In order to reduce resources, the resources must actually be expended and the expenditure documented. (For example: a receipt, a canceled check, or a bank statement).

Reduction of resources is an asset transfer and must be evaluated under asset transfer policy (subchapter M1450).

When excess resources are reduced, entitlement to ongoing Medicaid may begin no earlier than the first day of the month in which the resources were reduced to the Medicaid limit. When retroactive coverage is requested, policy in M1510.101 above must be followed.

M1510.103 HOSPITAL PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY

A. Policy

Individuals enrolled on the basis of Hospital Presumptive Eligibility (HPE) are covered by Medicaid beginning with the date of the HPE determination through the last day of the following month or the date MA eligibility is determined by an LDSS, whichever comes first. For their coverage to continue beyond the HPE enrollment period, they must submit a full MA application. If the individual does not submit an MA application, no further action is necessary on the part of the LDSS. See M0120.500 C.

B. Procedures

When an HPE enrollee submits a full MA application and it is pended in VaCMS, the individual's coverage in the HPE AC is extended by the eligibility worker, as necessary, while the application is processed.

Applications submitted by pregnant women enrolled on the basis of HPE must be processed within 7 calendar days of the agency's receipt of the signed application. Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Act (BCCPTA) applications submitted by individuals enrolled on the basis of HPE must be processed within 10 work days of the agency's receipt of the signed application.

1. Enrollment

When an individual is determined eligible for MA coverage, his MA coverage under the appropriate MA AC includes any days to which he is entitled that are not already covered by HPE. If the individual submitted the MA application in the same month HPE coverage began and HPE began on any day other than the first day of the month, his MA coverage begins the first day of that month and the eligibility worker enrolls him in a closed period of coverage in the appropriate MA AC beginning with the first day of the month and ending the day before the HPE begin date. The worker is to enroll the eligible individual in ongoing coverage in the appropriate MA AC beginning the first day of the month after the effective date of the HPE coverage cancellation.
See M0120.500 C.2

2. Individuals Enrolled in HPE as Pregnant Women or in Plan First

If an individual who was enrolled in HPE with partial coverage as a pregnant woman or in Plan First is determined eligible for full MA coverage in the period covered by HPE, cancel HPE coverage retroactively and reinstate in full coverage for the retroactive months and ongoing, if eligible.
See M0120.500 C.2d

3. Retroactive Entitlement

An individual's eligibility for retroactive coverage for the three months prior to the month of the MA application is determined when the individual had a medical service within the three months prior to the month of the full MA application. If the individual had full coverage while enrolled as HPE, only enroll him for the portion of the retroactive period that he was not enrolled as HPE. See M0120.500 C.2e

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TN #DMAS-8	4/1/18	Pages 2, 18 Appendix 2
TN #DMAS-7	1/1/18	Pages 2, 3, 3a, 5, 6, 7 Pages 6a and 7a are runover pages.
TN #DMAS-5	7/1/17	Pages 1, 2, 6, 8 Pages 3, 7, 7a and 9 are runover pages.

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TN #DMAS-1	6/1/16	Pages 3, 6, 7, 9, 11-14, 17 Appendix 2, page 1 Pages 3a and 7a were added. Page 8 is a runover page.
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TN #94	9/1/10	Table of Contents Pages 3, 4b, 5, 6-6a, 10 Appendix 1 was removed.
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If the recipient does not have an SSN, or if the Hub, SOLQ-I, or SVES does not return information showing that the recipient is deceased, contact the parent/caretaker relative or authorized representative to obtain the date of death. Information from a medical professional/facility is also acceptable.

The worker must document the VaCMS case record. Send adequate notice of cancellation to the estate of the enrollee at the enrollee's last known address and to any authorized representative(s) using the Notice of Action on Medicaid.

Cancel the enrollee's coverage, using the date of death as the effective date of cancellation.

4. Enrollee Enters an IMD

*When an enrollee enters an institution for the treatment of mental diseases (IMD), **do not** cancel coverage. DMAS will coordinate with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to ensure that no unauthorized FFP occurs*

If an enrollee becomes incarcerated, a partial review must be completed to determine if he continues to meet the requirements for coverage in a full-benefit CN covered group. If he continues to be eligible, cancel the existing coverage and reinstate in AC 109 for ongoing coverage the date of incarceration. If the individual no longer meets the requirements for a full benefit CN covered group, cancel the coverage, effective the day prior to entering incarceration. See M0140.000.

5. End of Spenddown Period

When eligibility terminates at the end of a six-month spenddown period, advance notice is not required. The individual is notified of the limited period of spenddown eligibility on the Notice of Action sent at the time the spenddown application is approved. Explanation of this limitation and information relative to re-application is provided at the time of the spenddown eligibility determination and enrollment.

6. Reason "012" Cancellations

Cancellations by DMAS staff due to returned mail are reported in the monthly System Cancellation Report (RS-O-112) available in the Data Warehouse Medicaid Management Reports. The report is issued between the 21st and 25th day of each month and is to be monitored so that appropriate follow up may be made.

When information is received from DMAS that a case is canceled for cancel reason "012", the local social services department must determine if the cancellation is valid. When cancellation is not valid, the case must be re-enrolled immediately.

When the cancellation is valid, the local department must mail the individual adequate notice of cancellation using the Notice of Action. Adequate notice consists of specifying the date the cancel action took place, which is the date the notice is mailed, in the section marked "Other" on the notification form.

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TN #DMAS-10	10/1/18	Pages 3-5
TN #DMAS-6	10/1/17	Table of Contents Pages 3-5 Page 6 is a runover page. Page 6a was added.
TN #100	5/1/15	Table of Contents Pages 1-9 Pages 10-17 were deleted. Appendix 1 was removed.
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TN #94	9/1/10	Page 12
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C. Services with No Copayments

The following services do not have copayments:

- emergency-room services,
- pregnancy-related services,
- family planning services, and
- dialysis services.

D. Covered Services

The services listed below are covered:

- case management services;
- certified pediatric nurse and family nurse practitioner services;
- clinical psychologist services;
- community-based services for individuals with intellectual disabilities, including day health rehabilitation services and case management;
- dental services for children enrolled in Medicaid and FAMIS, pregnant women enrolled in Medicaid, FAMIS MOMS, and FAMIS Prenatal Coverage, and effective July 1, 2021, all other adults with **full** Medicaid benefits.
- emergency hospital services;
- Early Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) services;
- family planning services;
- Federally Qualified Health Center clinic services;
- home and community-based care waiver services (see subchapter M1440);
- home health services: nurse, aide, supplies, treatment, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy services;
- hospice services;
- inpatient hospital services;
- Intensive Behavioral Dietary Counseling, for individuals in MEDICAID WORKS;
- intermediate care facility services for the intellectually disabled (ICF-ID);
- laboratory and x-ray services;

- Medicare premiums: Hospital Insurance (Part A); Supplemental Medical Insurance (Part B) for the Categorically Needy (CN) and Medically Needy (MN);

- *behavioral health services, including clinic services, outpatient psychiatric services, mental health case management, psychosocial rehabilitation, mental health skill building, therapeutic day treatment for children and adolescents, intensive in-home services for children and adolescents, mental health partial hospitalization, mental health intensive outpatient, assertive community treatment, applied behavior analysis, multisystemic therapy, functional family therapy, mobile crisis response, community stabilization, 23-hour crisis stabilization, residential crisis stabilization unit services, therapeutic group homes and psychiatric residential treatment services.*

- nurse-midwife services;

- nursing facility care;

- other clinic services: services provided by rehabilitation agencies, ambulatory surgical centers, renal dialysis clinics, and local health departments;

- outpatient hospital services;

- personal assistance services, for individuals in MEDICAID WORKS;

- physical therapy and related services;

- physician services;

- podiatrist services;

- prescribed drugs;

- prosthetic devices;

- Rural Health Clinic services;

- skilled nursing facility services for individuals under age 21 years;

- substance abuse services;

- transplant services;

- transportation to receive medical services; and

- vision services.