

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ELIGIBILITY BROADCAST 3

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TO: Local directors and Medicaid staff

FROM: Department of Medical Assistance Services

SUBJECT Elimination of Automatic Cancellations in MMIS for Newborns Turning One
– Effective September 16, 2016

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The following acronyms are used in this broadcast:

AC – Aid Category
DMAS – Department of Medical Assistance Services
FAMIS – Family Access to Medical Insurance Security
MMIS – Medicaid Management Information System
VaCMS – Virginia Case Management System
VDSS – Virginia Department of Social Services

The purpose of this broadcast is alert eligibility staff that effective September 16, 2016, MMIS will no longer automatically cancel coverage for Medicaid and FAMIS newborns (ACs 093, 099, 010, 014) when they turn age one year without having a renewal completed. The change in MMIS procedures is being made to ensure that newborns who have turned one continue to have access to medical care prior to the completion of their renewal. Additionally, the change will align MMIS and VaCMS procedures, since VaCMS does not cancel the coverage.

The requirement to complete a renewal when the newborn turns one has **NOT** changed. A renewal must be completed for a child enrolled as a Medicaid or FAMIS newborn before MMIS cut-off (the 16th) in the last month in which the child meets the Newborn Child Under Age 1 covered group. The ex parte process may be used if appropriate. The renewal procedures for newborns turning one are contained in M1520.200 D.2 of the Medicaid Eligibility Manual.

After the change has been implemented in MMIS, a monthly report listing newborns over the age of one year who are still enrolled in ACs 093, 099, 010, and 014 will be made available to VDSS for posting.

If you have questions about information contained in this broadcast, contact Cindy Olson.