

BROADCAST DMAS-64

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TO: Local directors and Medicaid staff

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SUBJECT: Final TN #DMAS-19 Available

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The final version of Medical Assistance Eligibility Manual Transmittal (TN) #DMAS-19, effective April 1, 2021, has been posted on the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) website at <http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/eligibilitypolicy>.

A major policy change in TN #DMAS-18 is the elimination of the work requirement for lawful permanent residents (referred to as the 40 quarter requirement). Effective with eligibility beginning April 1, 2021, lawful permanent residents who have resided in the U.S. for at least five years will now meet the immigration status requirement for full Medicaid coverage. All other Medicaid eligibility requirements must be met. Note that the policy for lawfully residing children under 19 and pregnant woman is not impacted by this change since the 40 quarter requirement did not previously apply to them.

The final version of TN #DMAS-19 contains refinements to the policy changes in subchapters M0280, M1430, M1510, and M1550 regarding members who enter an Institution for (the Treatment of) Mental Diseases (IMD). Please be sure to review these revisions in the final version.

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