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Medical Assistance Eligibility Manual Transmittal (TN) #DMAS-23, effective April 1, 2022, has been posted on the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) website at https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/for-applicants/eligibility-guidance/broadcasts-and-transmittals/. Please scroll down until you see the transmittals listed.

The final version contains revised policy regarding adoption assistance children with special needs for medical or rehabilitative care that was not included in the draft version. The changes are to subchapters M0120, M0310, M0330, and M1520. The terminology used to describe this group of adoption assistance children was revised for consistency with federal regulations. Additionally, the adoption assistance agreement, amendment to the adoption assistance agreement, or a signed letter on official letterhead from the state that facilitated the adoption assistance agreement must indicate that the child has a special need or needs for medical or rehabilitative care; however, it is not necessary that the special needs be listed in the documentation or that the documentation specify when the special needs began.