

CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL NO. 11-19, INTRODUCTION TO MEDICAID

DATE: 10/01/2019

Manual: Aged, Blind, and Disabled Medicaid

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To: County Directors of Social Services

I. BACKGROUND AND CONTENT OF CHANGE

The Division of Health Benefits (DHB) has updated Medicaid Policy for Introduction to Medicaid. Title XIX of the Social Security Act requires states to establish Medicaid programs to provide medical assistance to low income individuals and families. Within broad federal rules, each state decides eligible coverage groups, eligibility criteria, covered services, payment levels, and administrative and operating procedures.

II. POLICY UPDATE

The following sections of MA-400, Introduction to Medicaid, have been revised:

A. Background

1. In North Carolina, the Medicaid program is administered by the Division of Health Benefits (DHB) on behalf of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) as the single-state agency.
2. The Social Security Act mandates certain groups of individuals who must be covered by Medicaid. The mandatory groups include individuals who receive or are deemed to be receiving Supplemental Security income (SSI). In addition, the state is mandated to cover certain Medicare beneficiaries, pregnant women, caretakers and children.

B. Requirements

DMA-5179 – Updated to link to updated form.

III. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

This Policy is effective 10/01/2019 and applies to applications and recertifications currently in process.

If you have any questions regarding information in this letter, please contact your Operational Support Team Representative.

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