

CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL NO. 19-08, IRAQI/AFGHAN SPECIAL IMMIGRANTS AND THE CAROLINAS CENTER FOR MEDICAL EXCELLENCE (CCME) PROCEDURES FOR ALIEN EMERGENCY MEDICAL RECORD REVIEW

DATE: AUGUST 26, 2008

Manual: Aged, Blind, and Disabled Medicaid

Change No: 19-08

To: County Directors of Social Services

Effective: September 1, 2008

A. MA-2504, Citizenship/Alien Requirements, has been changed to add information pertaining to the new emergency medical review procedures and to incorporate policy regarding the Iraqi and Afghanistan Special Immigrants contained in DMA Administrative Letter 07-08 and Addendum 1.

1. The Citizenship/Identity codes to indicate the appropriate refugee or alien status for immigrants implemented in the DMA Administrative Letter 07-08, Addendum 1, have been added to policy.

51 Lawful Permanent Resident, other than Iraqi/Afghan Special Immigrants
60 Refugee
61 Asylee
62 Cuban/Haitian
63 Amerasian
64 Trafficking Victim
65 "SI" Special Immigrant
66 "SQ" Special Immigrant

The codes will be included in the EIS manual effective October 1, 2008. Continue to refer to the DMA Administrative Letter 07-08, Addendum 1, until that time.

2. Counties must enter a Refugee Code to designate the immigrant's country of origin, date the individual entered the United States or the date the individual was assigned the immigrant/refugee status as applicable and an Alien ID number for each immigrant whose citizenship/identity code is 60-66. Previously, these codes were only allowed for RRF and MRF cases.
3. The Alien ID number field is displayed on the Individual ID Inquiry Screen. The Language field is now located under the ETHNICITY field and the Alien ID field is located under the REF CODE / DATE field.

4. For Lawful Permanent Residents (LPRs), other than Iraqi/Afghan Special Immigrants, key only the citizenship/identity code of 51. Alien ID and Refugee Code, date the individual entered the United States or the date the individual was assigned the immigrant/refugee status are not required for LPRs except Afghan and Iraqi Special Immigrants.
5. The Carolinas Center for Medical Excellence (CCME) determines for the Division of Medical Assistance (DMA) the dates of coverage for emergency services provided to non-qualified aliens. Counties will no longer send to DMA requests for reviews of emergency services provided to non-qualified aliens. The request must be sent directly to CCME by CD, DVD, paper or fax. CCME is conducting training during September in several locations across the state for this new process.

II. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

This policy is effective September 1, 2008. Apply this policy to any applications or redeterminations in process or taken on or after September 1, 2008. This change notice obsoletes DMA Administrative Letter 07-08 and Addendum 1 effective October 1, 2008, when EIS changes are issued.

III. MAINTENANCE OF MANUAL

- A. Remove: MA-2504, Citizenship/Alien Requirements, pages 1, 2, 5, 6, 7 and 8, and pages 15 through 45 and MA-2504/3330, Figure 2, Figure 6 and Figure 7.**
- B. Insert: [MA-2504](#), Citizenship/Alien Requirements, pages 1, 2, 5, 6, 7 and 8, and pages 15 through 45 and MA-2504/3330, [Figure 2](#), [Figure 6A](#), [Figure 6B](#), and [Figure 7](#) dated September 1, 2008.**

For information regarding Medicaid, please contact your Medicaid Program Representative. For any Medicaid issues that are not able to be handled through that venue, Mrs. Angela Floyd, Assistant Director for Recipient and Provider Services, will be your point of contact and can be reached at (919) 855-4000.

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