

CASE IDENTIFICATION				
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Dear

Your child was eligible for Medicaid up to age 18 because the law called the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 provided for continuation of Medicaid when your child lost Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits due to the change to the definition of disability for SSI children. The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA) of 1996 changed the definition of disability for SSI children.

Now that your child is 18, it is important that you contact the local Social Security Administration (SSA) to apply for SSI for your child. Because your child is age 18, the SSI determination will be based on the adult definition of disability.

The County Assistance Office is referring your child to the Disability Advocacy Program (DAP) caseworker to help you apply for SSI benefits. Please contact _____ at _____ if you have questions about applying for SSI.

Your child will continue to be covered by Medicaid while the SSA evaluates for SSI benefits. Continue to show your child's Pennsylvania (PA) ACCESS card and other medical insurance cards to your medical providers when obtaining medical services.

Contact _____ at _____ if you have questions or need a new PA ACCESS card for your child.

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COUNTY ASSISTANCE OFFICE SIGNATURE

DATE

TELEPHONE NUMBER