

Policy Clarifications - Medicaid – Long Term Care PMN-17900-440

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Subject: **Resources for Long Term Care (LTC) – a Non-applicant Child Under 21 in the Resident Property**

Question: eCIS is not counting resources when running eligibility if there is a non-applicant child under 21 in the resident property. Is this a change in policy?

Response By: Division of Health Services

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No, resources should be counted for the institutionalized person in accordance with Chapter 440 of the LTC Handbook.

Currently eCIS is excluding resources for households that have a non-applicant member under age 21 in the resident property. This is not correct. The institutionalized individual is no longer in the household; therefore, even though there is a minor in the resident property, the resources must be counted.

Until eCIS is corrected to review for resources on cases that have a non-applicant minor in the household, workers are to manually evaluate the resources and make the resource eligibility determination with the information provided.

If the client is under the resource limit the case can be processed using eCIS and the right eligibility determination can still be made by the system, and the correct notice will still automatically be generated and sent.

If they are over resources and there is a minor in the resident property, the worker will have to manually reject the case, and send a manual notice explaining the reason for rejection.

The worker must narrate the details of the review and resource determination in Case Comments.

Reminder: If the institutionalized person is under the age of 21 and applying for LTC benefits, resources should remain excluded.