

Policy Clarifications – Medicaid – All PMA-17400-304

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Agency: CAOs

Subject: Applications for Medical Assistance and Resources Verification

Question: If a client applies for medical assistance and resource verification is requested but not received, should the application be rejected for failure to provide resource information?

Response By: Division of Health Services

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Resource information is required to determine eligibility for categories such as Healthy Horizons and should be requested to determine eligibility for 'traditional' Medicaid when a permanent disability is reported. However, if resource information is not provided and all other required information is received to determine eligibility for Healthy PA and the applicant is age 21 through 64, then the CAO should run eligibility and open Medicaid in the appropriate Healthy PA category. Applications for Medicaid should not be rejected for "failure to provide" (reason code 042) if the only pending verification is resources, unless the individual is 65 or older.