Policy Clarification – Medicaid – All PMA-17450-312

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Subject: Medical Assistance for Former Foster Care Recipients

Question: Is there a special Medical Assistance (MA) category for former foster care

recipients?

Response By: Division of Health Services Date: 2/23/2015

Yes. Individuals who were in foster care and who were enrolled in MA at any time on or after their 18th birthday may qualify for MA in the Former Foster Care category PC 40 up to the age of 26. There is no income or resource determination for this group.

If the individual fails to provide verification for MA categories that are higher in the MA cascade, such as Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) MA or Social Security Income (SSI)-related Non-Money Payment (NMP) categories, PC 40 must be authorized as long as all conditions of Former Foster Care eligibility are met.

Please refer to MAEH 312.81, Medical Assistance for Former Foster Care Recipients