**Policy Clarification**

**Medical Assistance – All**

**PMA-20830-322**

**Submitted: 3-31-2022 Agency: CAOs**

**Subject: Postpartum Coverage for Lawfully Present Non-Citizens Starting April 1, 2022.**

**Question:** **Would lawfully present non-citizen pregnant women qualify for the Medical Assistance (MA) postpartum coverage expansion from 60 days to 12 months, since Pennsylvania is expanding postpartum coverage effective April 1, 2022?**

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| **Response By: Division of Health Services** | **Date:** |  |  |
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Yes, lawfully present non-citizen pregnant women with citizenship code 2 under the   
five-year bar or citizenship code 3, qualify for postpartum coverage expansion from 60 days to 12 months.

Currently, OPS Memo 20-12-03 and PMA 20334-322 state that these individuals are required to be closed after their 60 days postpartum period ends. Starting on April 1, 2022, caseworkers will allow these individuals to stay open past their 60 days postpartum period.

Further guidance on the MA postpartum coverage expansion to 12 months is forthcoming.