CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL NO. 14-09, CITIZENSHIP & IDENTITY FOR AUTO NEWBORNS

DATE: NOVEMBER 1, 2009

Manual: Adult, Blind, Disabled Medicaid

Change No: 14-09

To: County Directors of Social Services

Effective: November 01, 2009

I. BACKGROUND

The Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 (CHIPRA or Public Law 111-3) was signed into law on February 4, 2009. One provision of CHIPRA 2009 is that newborn babies born in the United states and whose mother was covered by Medicaid for the delivery are now exempt from having to provide further verification for citizenship and identity.

II. CONTENT OF CHANGE

A. MA-2504, Citizen/Alien Requirements, has been revised to place auto newborns on Chart 1 (Code 10). Children whose birth is covered by Medicaid are deemed eligible for auto newborn coverage through the month they turn age one, and are considered to have provided satisfactory documentation of citizenship and identity, and further documentation is not required. In addition, reference to being born in a U.S. hospital has been removed as a result of further research. The child must be born in the United States.

III. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

This policy is effective November 01, 2009. Apply this policy to any applications or redeterminations taken or pending on or after November 01, 2009.

IV. MAINTENANCE OF MANUAL



If you have any questions, please contact your Medicaid Program Representative.

Craigan L. Gray, MD, MBA, JD, Director

This material was researched and written by Grace Lane, Policy Consultant, Medicaid Eligibility Unit.