TO: DIRECTORS, LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES
DEPUTY/ASSISTANT DIRECTORS FOR FAMILY INVESTMENT
FAMILY INVESTMENT SUPERVISORS AND CASE MANAGERS,
HEALTH OFFICERS, LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF

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RE: MMIS CODES for MEDICAID CITIZENSHIP and IDENTITY

PROGRAM AFFECTED: MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (MA)
ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF PROGRAMS

SUMMARY: Effective July 1, 2006, due to federal regulatory changes based on the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, all persons declaring to be U.S. citizens must provide documentation of their citizenship and identity at the time of the initial application or annual redetermination for Medicaid. In Maryland, this federal change applies to Medical Assistance (MA), Maryland Children’s Health Program (MCHP), Long-Term Care, Primary Adult Care (PAC), HealthChoice, Women’s Breast and Cervical Cancer Health Program (WBCCHP), and all Waiver Programs. It does not apply to Medicare beneficiaries, presumptively eligible newborns, and SSI recipients.

DHMH will no longer be sending the DRA letter files to DSS or the LHD since the information will now be available on MMIS. The letters will continue to be mailed to the recipients. DHMH has created a new field on MMIS to display citizenship and identity codes. This new field is on Screen 1 and is the “CITZ-IDEN” field.

This new field will contain a total of 4 characters. The first 2 characters will be a 2 digit alpha code to indicate citizenship verification by DHMH through various sources including data matches and the DHMH Central Repository. The second 2 characters will be a 2 digit numeric code to indicate identity verification by DHMH through the same sources.

ACTION REQUIRED:

Caseworkers must now check Screen 1 on MMIS to determine if the necessary proofs for citizenship and/or identity have already been obtained by DHMH. If the codes on Screen 1 indicate that the proof for citizenship has been obtained by DHMH, then the worker should not be requesting additional proof. Likewise, if the codes on Screen 1 indicate that the acceptable proof for identity has been obtained, no further proof of identity is needed.
There are codes that indicate “Not Verified”. If there is a “ZZ” in the citizenship field it indicates that DHMH has no acceptable proof for citizenship. Likewise, if there is a “00” in the identity field it indicates that DHMH has no acceptable proof for identity. In such cases, the caseworker must request the necessary proof from the applicant or recipient. If the caseworker later receives the proof of citizenship and/or identity, they must send a copy of the proof to DHMH Medicaid Verifications, P.O. Box 2075, Baltimore, Md.21203-2075, so that MMIS Screen 1 can be re-coded correctly.

The new codes for MMIS are attached to this Information Memo.

A copy of MMIS Screen 1 is attached with the new CITZ-IDEN field enlarged and in bold. The citizenship code is VS for Vital Statistic Record Match, and the identity code is 00 meaning Not Verified.

INQUIRIES:

For policy questions, contact the DHMH Division of Eligibility Policy and MCHP at 410-767-1463 or 1-800-492-5231 (select option 2 and request extension 1463). For CARES questions contact Cathy Sturgill at 410-238-1247

cc: DHR Executive Staff
    FIA Management Staff
    Constituent Services
    DHR Help Desk
    DHMH Management Staff
Citizenship Codes for MMIS

Exempt:
MC  Medicare
SI  SSI

Tier One:
PP  Passport
CN  Certificate of Naturalization
CC  Certificate of Citizenship

Tier Two:
VS  Vital Statistic Record Match

Tier Three:
BC  U.S. Birth Certificate
MR  Military Record (official military record of birth)
CS  Civil service employment by U.S. government
AD  Final Adoption Decree for a child born in the U.S.
CA  Certificate of citizen born abroad
CI  U.S. Citizenship identification card
AI  American Indian card
NM  Northern Mariana card

Tier Four:
HR  Hospital Record
IR  Insurance Record (must show place of birth)

Tier Five:
FC  Federal Census record for 1900-1950
DR  Doctor, hospital, clinic or other medical record showing a place of birth
OR  Other Records showing a U.S. place of birth and created at least 5 years before the initial application date for MA or MCHIP:
  • An amended U.S. birth certificate
  • A U.S. State Vital Statistics official notification of birth registration
  • Signed statement by a physician or mid-wife who attended the birth
  • Institutional admission papers (e.g. nursing facility)
  • Seneca Indian tribal census record
  • Bureau of Indian Affairs tribal census records of the Navajo Indians

Affidavits:
AF  All affidavits for citizenship

Not Verified:
HN  Hospital newborn, categorically eligible, valid for 15 months from DOB (P03, P12)
ZZ  Nothing on file

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Identity Codes for MMIS

Valid for ALL ages:

01 Medicare/SSI data match

02 Government Identification with photograph and/or identifying information included on drivers license---name, age, sex, race, height, weight or eye color (includes PP, CN, CC, MVA ID card)

03 Food Stamp data match

04 TCA data match (F01, 02 and 03)

05 Driver’s License

06 U.S. military ID card or draft record or U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Card

07 U.S. Passport with limitation (can only be used for identity, not citizenship)

08 Certificate of Indian blood or other U.S. Tribal document

09 School ID Card /nursery or day care card with photograph

10 to 19 For future use

Valid ONLY for children younger than 16:

20 School record/nursery or day care record

21 Written affidavits signed by the child’s parent or guardian

22 Newborns made eligible through the 1184 process (good until age 16)

Not Verified:

00 Identity not verified

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### Recipient Eligibility Display Screen 1

**11/03/06**

**RECIPIENT ELIGIBILITY DISPLAY SCREEN 1**

**REISSUE:** 0111  
**LAST TRANS:** 051005  
**USER:** 111

**RECIPIENT ID:** 12345678901  
**HOH/CASE-NUM:** 123456789  
**BATCH-UP:** 062206

**ORIG-ID:** 12345678901  
**CARES-IRN:** 123456789  
**PREV-UP:** 061406

**CURR-ID:** 12345678901  
**SSN:** 123456789  
**MEDICARE-NUM:**

**NAME:** ABCDEF GHIJKLM  
**HOH:** ABCDEFG H IJKL  
**APPL-DT:** 80198  
**VISIT:** (PF2)

**ADDR:** 1234 ABCDEF  
**INSR:** V9 TPL:  
**MEDICARE:** (PF3)

**ADDR:** DEC-DT: 051005  
**LTC:** (PF4)

**CITY:** BALTIMORE  
**BIRTH:** 1234 5678  
**WAIVER:** (PF5)

**STATE:** MD  
**ZIP:** 12345  
**RACE:** C  
**SEX:** F  
**MANAG-CARE:** (PF6)

**PHONE:** 555-555-5555  
**HOSP-NUM:**  
**NEW-IDS:** 015  
**MANAG-CARE:** (PF7)

**RES-CNTY:** 03 BALTIMORE  
**DT-OF-ENTRY:**  
**SPECIAL PROGRAM:** (PF8)

**CITZ-IDENT: VS 00**  
**DIST-OFF:** 999 UNIT:  
**DEATH:**  
**MCO:** M (PF9)

**INCOME:** 00000  
**ASSETS:** 00001  
**ORIGIN:** Z  
**CARES-DT:** 121400

**SCREEN-DT:**  
**ASSETS:** 00001  
**ORIGIN:** Z  
**CARES-DT:** 121400

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**ELIGIBILITY SPANS**

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