

CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL

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MANUAL: EIS

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TO: COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

This change notice transmits revisions to the EIS Manual. Policy is effective May 1, 2001, however EIS changes will not be in place until May 7, 2001.

Despite enormous progress in expanding Medicaid and NC Health Choice for Children to eligible families, some individuals continue to lose Medicaid when their Work First, Transitional Medicaid, or Benefit Diversion terminates. This may happen when the family is not evaluated for ongoing Medicaid prior to termination. In these situations, EIS automatically terminates Medicaid with Work First, Transitional Medicaid, or Benefit Diversion.

Continuing Medicaid for eligible families is a top priority at the federal and state level. Therefore to assure that persons losing Work First do not improperly lose Medicaid, we are limiting the termination codes that can be used to terminate Work First cases. We are also expanding the transfer codes so that cases not eligible for Work First payment can be transferred to Medicaid.

According to policy, you must conduct an ex parte review anytime an ongoing case/individual is ineligible in any aid program/category, including Work First.

To ensure this ex parte review occurs when Work First terminates, you must transfer the Work First case to MAF-C for the remainder of the Work First payment period or two months, whichever is greater. The only exception to this will be for the limited Work First termination codes listed in EIS 4000 Appendix A.

These changes support the policy issued in 3355 of the Family and Children's Medicaid manual.

EIS-4000 - CODES APPENDIX A

Revised to delete obsolete adequate and timely change codes.

Revised to add the new denial code "M7 ~ You did not apply for UIB which you might be eligible to receive. We are continuing to determine your Medicaid eligibility".

Revised to limit termination codes for active Work First cases.

Revised to indicate which termination codes can be used for open/shut Work First applications.

EIS-4000 - CODES APPENDIX B

Revised to indicate redetermination code "9A" is allowed for all Medicaid programs.

Revised to delete denial and termination codes related to incapacity and deprivation.

Revised to add timely termination code "1F ~ You are no longer pregnant".

Revised to add new timely transfer code "1W ~ You failed to provide information which is needed to determine eligibility".

Revised to add new transfer codes to allow AAF to be transferred to Medicaid due to the limited termination codes.

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Please contact your Medicaid Program Representative or Adult Program Representative if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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