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State of residence is the State where the individual is—

(i) Living with the intention to remain there permanently or for an indefinite period (or if incapable of stating intent, where the individual is living); or

(ii) Living and which the individual entered with a job commitment or seeking employment (whether or not currently employed).

(2) For any institutionalized individual who became incapable of indicating intent before age 21, the State of residence is—

(i) That of the parents applying for Medicaid on the individual's behalf, if the parents reside in separate States;

(ii) The parent's or legal guardian's State of residence at the time of placement; or

(iii) The current State of residence of the parent or legal guardian who files the application, if the individual is institutionalized in that State. If a legal guardian has been appointed and parental rights are terminated, the State of residence of the guardian is used instead of the legal parent's.

(iv) The State of residence of the individual or party who files an application is used if the individual has been abandoned by his or her parent(s), does not have a legal guardian and is institutionalized in that State.

(3) For any institutionalized individual who became incapable of indicating intent at or after age 21, the State of residence is the State in which the individual is physically present, except where another State makes a placement.

(4) For any other institutionalized individual, the State of residence is the State where the individual is living with the intention to remain there permanently or for an indefinite period.

(i) *Specific prohibitions.* (1) The agency may not deny Medicaid eligibility because an individual has not resided in the State for a specified period.

(2) The agency may not deny Medicaid eligibility to an individual in an institution, who satisfies the residency rules set forth in this section, on the grounds that the individual did not establish residence in the State before entering the institution.

(3) The agency may not deny or terminate a resident's Medicaid eligibility because of that person's temporary absence from the State if the person intends to return when the purpose of the absence has been accomplished, unless another State has determined that the person is a resident there for purposes of Medicaid.

(j) *Interstate agreements.* A State may have a written agreement with another State setting forth rules and procedures resolving cases of disputed residency. These agreements may establish criteria other than those specified in paragraphs (c) through (h) of this section, but must not include criteria that result in loss of residency in both States or that are prohibited by paragraph (i) of this section. The agreements must contain a procedure for providing Medicaid to individuals pending resolution of the case.

States may use interstate agreements for purposes other than cases of disputed residency to facilitate administration of the program, and to facilitate the placement and adoption of title IV-E individuals when the child and his or her adoptive parent(s) move into another State.

(k) *Continued Medicaid for institutionalized recipients.* An agency is providing Medicaid to an institutionalized recipient who, as a result of this section, would be considered a resident of a different State—

(1) The agency must continue to provide Medicaid to that recipient from June 24, 1983 until July 5, 1984 unless it makes arrangements with another State of residence to provide Medicaid at an earlier date; and

(2) Those arrangements must not include provisions prohibited by paragraph (g) of this section.

(l) *Cases of disputed residency.* Where two or more States cannot resolve which State is the State of residence, the State where the individual is physically located is the State of residence.

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§ 436.404 Applicant's choice of category.

The agency must allow an individual who would be eligible under more than

one category to have his eligibility determined for the category he selects.

§ 436.406 Citizenship and alienage.

(a) The agency must provide Medicaid to otherwise eligible residents of the United States who are—

(1) Citizens; or

(2) Aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence or permanently residing in the United States under color of law, as defined in § 436.408 of this part;

(3) Aliens granted lawful temporary resident status under sections 245A and 210A of the Immigration and Nationality Act if the individual is aged, blind, or disabled as defined in section 1614(a)(1) of the Act, under 18 years of age, or a Cuban/Haitian entrant as defined in section 501 (e)(1) and (2)(A) of Pub. L. 96-422; or

(4) Aliens granted lawful temporary resident status under section 210 of the Immigration and Nationality Act unless the alien would, but for the 5-year bar to receipt of AFDC contained in such section, be eligible for AFDC.

(b) The agency must only provide emergency services (as defined for purposes of section 1916(a)(2)(D) of the Social Security Act), and services for pregnant women as defined in section 1916(a)(2)(B) of the Social Security Act to otherwise eligible residents of the United States not described in paragraphs (a)(3) and (a)(4) of this section who have been granted lawful temporary or lawful permanent resident status under section 245A, 210 or 210A of the Immigration and Nationality Act for five years from the date lawful temporary resident status was granted.

(c) The agency must provide payment for the services described in § 440.255 to residents of the State who otherwise meet the eligibility requirements of the State plan (except for receipt of AFDC, SSI, or State Supplementary payments and the presentation of a social security number) but who do not meet the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section.

(d) The limitations on eligibility set forth in paragraph (b) of this section do not apply after 5 years from the date this alien was granted lawful temporary resident status.

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§ 436.408 Categories of aliens who are permanently residing in the United States under color of law.

This section describes aliens that the agency must accept as permanently residing in the United States under color of law and who may be eligible for Medicaid.

(a) An individual may be eligible for Medicaid if the individual is an alien residing in the United States with the knowledge and permission of the Immigration and Naturalization Services (INS) and the INS does not contemplate enforcing the alien's departure. The INS does not contemplate enforcing the alien's departure if it is the policy or practice of INS not to enforce the departure of aliens in the same category, or if from all the facts and circumstances in the case it appears that INS is otherwise permitting the alien to reside in the United States indefinitely, as determined by verifying the alien's status with INS.

(b) Aliens who are permanently residing in the United States under color of law are listed below. None of the categories includes applicants for an Immigration and Naturalization Service status other than those applicants listed in paragraph (b)(6) of this section, or those covered under paragraph (b)(16) of this section. None of the categories allows Medicaid eligibility for non-immigrants: for example, students or visitors. Also listed are the most common documents that the INS provides to aliens in these categories.

(1) Aliens admitted to the United States pursuant to 8 U.S.C. 1153(a)(7), (section 203(a)(7) of the Immigration and Nationality Act). Ask for a copy of INS Form I-94 endorsed "Refugee-conditional Entry";

(2) Aliens, including Cuban/Haitian entrants, paroled in the United States pursuant to 8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5) section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act). Ask for a copy of INS Form I-94 with notation that the alien was paroled pursuant to section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. For Cuban/Haitian entrants ask for a copy of INS Form I-94 stamped Cuban/Haitian entrant (Status Pending) reviewable January 15, 1981.