

PROGRAM MEMO

Program Memo: Titles 390 and 479, Office of Protection and Safety #1-2007

To: Holders of Titles 390 and 479
Protection and Safety Workers, Supervisors; and Administrators,
Service Area Administrators;
Income Maintenance- Foster Care Workers and Supervisors; and
Economic Assistance Supervisors

From: Todd Reckling, Administrator, Office of Protection and Safety
George Kahlandt, Administrator, Economic Assistance

Signed by: _____
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Date: _____

RE: Medicaid Eligibility for Children who are Wards

Effective: Immediately

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Purpose: This Program Memo is to provide direction to staff regarding citizenship and identity documentation and the action required.

Protection and Safety Administrative Memo #5-2006 notified you that the federal Deficit Reduction Act (DRA) of 2005 required documentation of citizenship and identity for all persons applying for Medicaid, effective July 1, 2006. These requirements were also implemented via Manual Bulletins 468-00-31, 469-00-23, and 477-00-15, dated July 10, 2006 for the ADC, AABD, and Children's Medical Assistance programs.

An exemption to these documentation requirements was created by federal legislation enacted late in 2006. This applies to children who are wards and eligible for Medicaid and children who are receiving Medicaid because they are in a subsidized adoption.

ACTION REQUIRED: If you have denied Medicaid since July 1, 2006 for any child because of the DRA citizenship and identity documentation requirements, please immediately re-test the child's eligibility based on the applicable standards in Title 477 or 479, and make any appropriate changes.