

2255 - AGE (FAMILY MEDICAID)**POLICY STATEMENT**

A child must be under a specified age to be eligible for Family Medicaid. The age limit depends on the Family Medicaid Class of Assistance (COA) for which eligibility is being considered.

NOTE: Refer to Section [2205](#), Age, Blind, Disabled Requirement for ABD Medicaid COAs.

**BASIC
CONSIDERATION**

A child must be within the following age limits to be eligible for that Family Medicaid COA.

AGE LIMIT**CLASS OF ASSISTANCE**

21 years	Child Welfare Foster Care Medicaid
21 years	State Adoption Assistance Medicaid
26 years	Former FosterCare Medicaid
19 years	PeachCare for Kids®
19 years	Children Under 19 Years of Age Medicaid
19 years	Parent/Caretaker with Child(ren) Medicaid
19 years	Transitional Medical Assistance (TMA)
19 years	Four Months Extended Medicaid (4MEx)
19 years	Family Medicaid Medically Needy
13 months	Newborn Medicaid

A child's age affects the financial income limit used in determining eligibility for Children Under 19 Years of Age Medicaid. Refer to [Appendix A2](#), Family Medicaid Financial Limits and to Section [2182](#), Children Under 19 Years of Age Medicaid.

There is no age limit associated with Pregnant Woman Medicaid (PgW).

Eligibility for a Medicaid COA ends at the end of the month in which the child reaches the age limit for that COA. A Continuing Medicaid Determination (CMD) must be completed and documented prior to denial or termination of any Medicaid COA.

PROCEDURES

Accept and document the A/R's statement of the child(ren)'s age, unless questionable.

If age is questionable, document the reason age is questioned.

Verify questionable age at the following times:

- at application
- when a child is added to the Family Medicaid AU
- when the agency becomes aware of a discrepancy.

Verify questionable age by one of the following:

- adoption records
- affidavit of persons present at birth
- baptismal or other church records
- birth certificate
- census record
- court record
- driver's license
- family Bible
- insurance record
- medical record
- school record
- Social Security record
- U. S. passport
- vital statistic records
- any other reliable records indicating age or date of birth.

Document the date and source of verification.

If age is questionable and the A/R fails to provide acceptable verification, document the reason verification was requested, the date verification was requested, the date verification was due, and the A/R's failure to comply prior to denial or termination of Medicaid.