







Presumptive Eligibility Qualified Non-Citizen Status Job Aid

Overview

For Medicaid purposes a qualified non-citizen (also called qualified immigrant) refers to an individual who is not a U.S. citizen or U.S. national lawfully admitted to the United States by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). These individuals may fall into specific immigration statuses and can be eligible for certain federally funded benefits, which includes Medicaid.

Additional considerations and notes:

- Presumptive Eligibility Determination is based upon the applicant's statement.
 The applicant is not required to provide verification of their legal immigration status.
- Pregnant women are not required to attest to immigration status to be considered presumptively eligible.
- Never ask for citizenship information from a non-applicant (non-applying household members).

Common Non-Citizen Status Coverage Eligibility

The table below provides a list of common Non-Citizen Statuses you may encounter and an indicator of their eligibility for coverage through Presumptive Eligibility.

Non-Citizen Status Coverage Eligibility			
Status	Eligible	Not Eligible	
Individuals granted asylum	X		
Refugees	X		
Cuba/Haitian entrants	Х		
Battered non-citizen, and their families	Х		
Victims of trafficking and their families	Х		
Veterans of U.S. Armed forces with honorable discharge	X		
Deportation being withheld by order from an immigration judge	X		

Status	Eligible	Not Eligible
Iraqi and Afghan aliens granted special immigration status	X	
Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)		X
Foreign Students		X
Temporary Tourist Visa holders		X
Temporary Work Visa holders		X
Lawful Permanent Residents/Green Card Holders	Eligible for coverage after the 5- year bar	

Additional Notes and Considerations:

If an applicant presents who does not appear to fall into a qualified status for Medicaid, and is therefore not a candidate for Presumptive Eligibility based solely on the fact they are a not a citizen or a qualified non-citizen, they may still be able to get assistance through the following programs:

Emergency Time-Limited Medicaid Program

Emergency Time-Limited Medicaid provides limited coverage associated with a health crisis an individual may encounter while in the U.S., including charges for pregnant non-citizens for the month of birth of a child and month after delivery. Applications for this benefit should be made through the standard application process.

Qualified Health Plans through the Marketplace

Marketplace rules for Qualified Health Plans and financial assistance differ from Medicaid Presumptive Eligibility, a full online application may provide other types of assistance.

Please Remember: Information about immigration status will be used only to determine eligibility for coverage and not for immigration enforcement.









