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<b>SUBJECT AREA:</b> Family Medicaid and Child Health Plan <i>Plus</i> (CHP+)	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> Revisions to the Medical Assistance Rule Concerning the Family and Children's Covered Groups, Section 8.100.4.J, and Child Health Plan <i>Plus</i> Rules, Section 180	<b>APPROVED BY:</b>  Antoinette Taranto
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**Purpose:**

The purpose of this agency letter is to advise eligibility sites of a rule change at 8.100.4.J of the Medical Assistance Eligibility Rules and Section 180 of the Children's Health Plan Plus Eligibility Rules, creating a pathway for the optional direct certification and automatic enrollment of children who are determined eligible for Family Medicaid and CHP+ when applying for other public assistance programs such as Colorado Works/TANF or Food Stamps/SNAP.

**Background:**

Section 8.100.4.J of the Medical Assistance Eligibility Rules and Regulations and Section 180 of the Children's Health Plan Plus Rules and Regulations do not currently include provisions for optional direct certification and automatic enrollment of eligible children through Express Lane Eligibility or in conjunction with the application for public assistance programs such as Colorado Works/TANF or Food Stamps/SNAP.

**Procedure or Information:**

The procedural change for determining Medicaid eligibility will include optional direct certification and automatic enrollment for eligible children when applying for the cash assistance and supplemental nutrition programs. Families must still actively consent to opt in to the program to be determined eligible and automatically enrolled. CBMS functionality has been updated to address these changes, and related training materials are located on our website at: [www.colorado.gov/hcpf](http://www.colorado.gov/hcpf) > Partners & Researchers> County and Medical Assistance Sites> Training and Reference Documents> Training Topics> Family Medicaid

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