Medicaid Buy-In Program for Children with Disabilities Overview Project 1944

The following will provide a high level overview of the changes being implemented into CBMS within Project 1944 - Medicaid Buy-In Program for Children with Disabilities:

1. New Aid Code

- The Medicaid Buy-In Program for Children with Disabilities will be a new program aid code within the Family Medicaid (FM) High Level Program Group.
- The release date of this program is 6/24/2012
- The system will determine eligibility for this program effective from 07/01/2012.

2. Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the program, individuals:

- Under 19 years of age
 - Individuals between the ages of 16-18 that are currently working will be determined for eligibility within the Medicaid Buy-In Program for Working Adults with Disabilities.
- Cannot be receiving aid in another category of AM, FM, CHP+, or LTC
- Must have income at or below 300% FPL
- Must meet citizenship criteria (includes DRA requirements)
- Must have a disability as defined by SSA. The state disability determination will be based on the same childhood listings as SSA.

3. Household Size Criteria

• Household size will be determined using the criteria established within Family Medicaid.

4. Income Criteria

- Income will follow Family Medicaid criteria which includes parent's income
 - Current Family Medicaid earned and unearned disregards will apply
 - An additional disregard of 33% is being applied in

5. Resource Criteria

• Resources are not counted in determining eligibility for this program.

6. Retroactive Medicaid

 Individuals are eligible for Retroactive Medicaid but not prior to implementation date of the program.

7. Redetermination

 Annual re-determination (RRR) will follow the current FM rules and Notice of Action (NOAs) will be generated during the RRR mode for clients receiving aid

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8. Verification Checklist

• The Family Medicaid logic has been applied to determine which verifications are acceptable for the Children's Buy-In program.

9. Medicaid Buy-In Premiums

- Once individuals are determined eligible for the Medicaid Buy-In Program for Children with Disabilities, they are immediately enrolled. However, families will need to pay a monthly premium for the child to remain eligible. The premium is determined on a sliding fee scale which are as follows:
 - A monthly premium of \$0 is applied to individuals with income which is at or below 133% of FPL.
 - A monthly premium of **\$70** is applied to individuals with income which is above 133% of FPL but at or below 185% of FPL.
 - A monthly premium of **\$90** is applied to individuals with income above 185% of FPL but at or below 250% of FPL.
 - A monthly premium of **\$120** is applied to individuals with income above 250% of FPL but at or below 300% of FPL.
- Families have up to 75 days to pay premium before the child is terminated from the program
 - Premium due notice is sent to families on the 23rd of every month
 - Premium due notice identifies current premiums due along with any outstanding balance due
 - The exact termination date is provided to the families
- The Medicaid Buy-In Premium page and bank interface created for the Adult Buy-In will be used to manage the premiums for the Children's Buy-In

10. Reports

- Various reports have been created for the program. They include the following:
 - Children's Buy-In Income bracket Summary and Detail
 - Medicaid Buy-In Monthly Premiums
 - Includes both the Adult Buy-In and the Children's Buy-In