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POLICY MEMO:	
To: All SRS and KHPA Staff	From: Patty Rice, Manager Family Medical Eligibility Program Policy
Eligibility Policy Memo No: 2006-08-23	KFMAM: KFMAM Revision # 3
RE: Summary of Changes for Revision # 3	Program(s): All Family Medical Programs

Purpose, Background and Reason for Change for the Kansas Family Medical Assistance Manual (KFMAM) effective August 23, 2006

The purpose of this document is to transmit Revision No. 3 of the Kansas Family Medical Assistance Manual policy found in the Kansas Economic and Employment Support Manual (KEESM). Additionally, this revision accommodates a new web-based format for the KFMAM itself.

The KFMAM is an on-line policy manual accessible from www.srskansas.org and <http://www.da.ks.gov/hpf/kfmam>. The new web-based format allows for increased search capabilities, improved readability, and is easier to maintain than the previous manual format. The manual's new web location also includes access to Policy Memorandums, instructions for navigating and searching the web-based manual and quick links to other resources.

Overview

This revision introduces the Kansas Health Policy Authority, implements mandatory citizenship and identity verification requirements, and will achieve consistency and ensure Family Medical policy collaborates with the other medical policy found in the Kansas Economic and Employment Support Manual (KEESM).

Kansas Health Policy Authority - As required by House Substitute for Senate Bill 272 adopted by the 2005 Kansas Legislature, the Kansas Health Policy Authority (KHPA) is established. KHPA assumes responsibilities previously held within the Division of Health Policy and

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Finance. KHPA is an independent authority overseen by a seven member board appointed by the Governor and the Legislature. KFMAM has been updated to reflect this.

Verification of Citizenship and Identity - As required by the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, verification of both citizenship and identity are required for all medical assistant applicants and most recipients.

Documentation for both citizenship and identity for all persons must be provided, or the individual is not eligible for coverage. Failure of a single individual to provide documentation does not render the entire assistance plan ineligible.

The documentation requirements for non-citizens are not changing. Verification of immigration status continues to be required for all Medicaid applicants. Additional information regarding acceptable forms of documentation and recipient requirements will be issued in a separate implementation memo.

Changes

Section 1101 is updated with a wording clarification.

Sections 01120, 01220, 1222, 1225, 1226.01, 1226.02, 1226.04, 1227, 1228, 1229, 1501, 1505, 1521.02, 1530.01, 2400, are updated as a result of the change from DHPF to KHPA.

Sections 1321.05, 1323, 1325.01, 1326.02, 2040, 2041, 2041.1, 2042, 2043 (and all subsections), 2044 (and all subsections), 2045 (and all subsections), 2046 (and all subsections), 2200, are updated as a result of the new citizenship and identity requirements.

Section 1602.08 is being added as a result of the new citizenship and identity requirements.

Sections 2020 and 2410 are updated with general numbering changes and wording clarification.

Section 2011.01 is updated due to some reference errors.

Sections 2050, 2230, 2240, 2300, 2310, 2340, 2350, and 2440 are updated with general numbering changes.

Section 2230.01 is updated to include general eligibility requirement 02100 child in family. This has always been a requirement but has not been clearly stated.

Section 02500 is updated with heading changes

The changes in this revision are expected to improve access to policy and create more continuity between the KFMAM and KEESM manuals. The clarifications and general numbering updates in this revision are intended to provide easier navigation and a greater understanding of the program guidelines. Each eligibility worker continues to have discretion and flexibility in making prudent person decisions utilizing these basic guidelines.

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Conclusion

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