I-2100 SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (SSI) ELIGIBILITY STATUS

I-2100 GENERAL INFORMATION

The following requirements apply to SSI and Extended Medicaid programs:

- SSI Eligibility,
- Loss of SSI/Mandatory State Supplement (MSS), and
- <u>E</u>ligibility for and receipt of SSI/RSDI.

An application for SSI is not a requirement for <u>eligibility in any</u> Medicaid <u>program</u>. Advise the applicant/<u>enrollee</u> who meets SSI eligibility requirements <u>to</u> contact <u>the</u> <u>Social</u> <u>Security</u> Administration (SSA) <u>to</u> <u>determine eligibility for cash benefits.</u>

When the Medical Eligibility Determination Team (MEDT) approves categorical eligibility for disability and the SSI disability determination is denied, Medicaid may be continued only if:

- the <u>applicant/enrollee is appealing the</u> SSI denial;
- medical <u>documentation</u> is available to demonstrate the <u>deterioration of the applicant's medical condition since the SSI denial; or
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- a new medical condition can be documented.

Resubmit a request for a disability determination to MEDT if SSA has denied the application in the last twelve (12) months and the applicant provides documentation that the SSA determination has been timely appealed. Refer to G-1610.1, MEDT Package for a list of necessary documentation needed to render a disability decision.

I-2110 SSI ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT

The individual must be eligible for and receiving SSI as determined by SSA.

I-2110.1 Verification

Verify SSI eligibility and <u>the</u> receipt <u>of SSI benefits</u> at application or if otherwise indicated. Written <u>documentation or</u> verification <u>of benefits</u> through LaMEDS interfaces is required.

Sources include, but are not limited to:

- State Data Exchange (SDX),
- SSA award letter,
- State On-Line Query-Internet (SOLQ-I),
- SSA records, correspondence or forms, or
- <u>Third party query.</u>

I-2110.2 Documentation

Document <u>Case Notes regarding the verification of benefits</u> and file a copy of <u>any documents received</u> in the Electronic <u>Data Management System (EDMS), if applicable.</u>

I-2120 LOSS OF SSI OR MSS REQUIREMENT

The individual must have:

- <u>Previously</u> been eligible for and receiving SSI or Mandatory State Supplement (MSS), and
- Lost eligibility for SSI or MSS.

I-2120.1 Verification

Verify eligibility for and loss of SSI or MSS at application, renewal or if otherwise indicated, using sources in the following order:

- <u>Case Notes</u> documentation (BENDEX, third party query, or <u>LaMEDS</u> files); or
- SSA records, correspondence, or forms.

I-2120.2 Documentation

Document <u>Case Notes regarding the verification of benefits</u> and file a copy <u>of any documents received</u> in the Electronic <u>Data Management System (EDMS)</u>, <u>if applicable</u>.

I-2130 RESERVED