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The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has issued a clarification regarding the exemption of certain individuals from providing proof of a Social Security Number, or proof of application for a Social Security Number when applying for medical services. A *Conditional Entrant* to the United States is considered a qualified alien who has obtained satisfactory immigration status but *is not eligible* for a Social Security Card. The Medicaid eligibility final rule issued by CMS on March 23, 2012, specifies that an individual is exempted from providing a Social Security Number if that individual is not eligible for a Social Security Number or does not have one and is only eligible to receive a Social Security Number for a non-work purpose.

The following statement will be added to the Department of Human Services (DHS) Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) 223 pg. 9 and to the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) MICHild Eligibility Manual 3.4:

Any individual is exempted from providing a Social Security number if that individual is not eligible for a Social Security Number or does not have one and is only eligible to receive a Social Security Number for a non-work purpose such as an individual who is a Conditional Entrant to the United States.

Manual Maintenance

Retain this bulletin until the information has been incorporated into the Bridges Eligibility Manual and the MICHild Eligibility Manual.

Questions

Any questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to Provider Inquiry, Department of Community Health, P.O. Box 30731, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8231, or e-mail at ProviderSupport@michigan.gov. When you submit an e-mail be sure to include your name, affiliation, and phone number so you may be contacted if necessary. Providers may phone toll-free 1-800-292-2550.

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