

MENTALLY RETARDED/DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED (MR/DD)**17.32 THE APPLICATION/REDETERMINATION PROCESS**

The application/redetermination process is the same as for SSI-Related Medicaid in Chapter 1, with the following exceptions:

No application is required for SSI recipients. The ES-2 is used for all other applicants. The application is processed when the Worker receives a memorandum from the LTC/AC Unit which gives the date that medical necessity for MR/DD Waiver services eligibility is established.

Eligibility begins on the latest of these dates:

- The physician's assessment date on the DD-2A; or
- The date financial eligibility is determined; or
- The date the client or his representative signs the Plan of Care.

MR/DD cases, except SSI recipients, are redetermined financially **once a year and a face-to-face interview is required. Redeterminations** are alternated with desk reviews. Full-scale redeterminations are completed using the same criteria and procedures for applications.