NOTE: The WV WORKS policy for including 18-year-olds requires that the 18-year-old be enrolled in secondary school, i.e., high school, high school equivalency, vocational training that substitutes for high school, etc. College is not secondary school. Therefore, the following apply:

- An 18-year-old in college is not eligible for the SCA.

- A 17-year-old in college meets the school enrollment requirement.

- An 18-year-old in high school meets the school enrollment requirement.

The following activities are not considered school enrollment: preschool, nursery school, Head Start, correspondence or internet courses.

School enrollment for children ages 5 through 17 is presumed by eRAPIDS. eRAPIDS uses information on the school enrollment screen to confirm enrollment for children ages 4 and 17 through 18. Children who have attained the age of 5 by September 1st of the current program year are assumed to be enrolled in kindergarten. West Virginia State law also permits 4-year olds who will attain the age of 5 by the last day of the current calendar year to enroll, if approved by the Superintendent. The statement of a parent or other specified relative is sufficient and no other verification is required to document enrollment.

eRAPIDS will provide a voucher for any 4-year-old enrolled in kindergarten when the school enrollment screen shows an enrollment status of full-time (FU), less than half-time (LH), or half-time (HA).

NOTE: A 5-year-old not enrolled in kindergarten is not eligible for the SCA just because eRAPIDS presumes enrollment. Since so many 5-year-olds are enrolled, the choice was to include them and make those not enrolled the exceptions. The school enrollment screen in eRAPIDS should indicate these children are not enrolled.

- Included in the WV WORKS payment as a dependent child.

- An individual who is included in the AG as a caretaker relative is not eligible for SCA, even when he meets the age and enrollment requirements.

- Minimum age requirement is met when the child will be age 5 on or before September 1st of the current program year.

- Maximum age requirement is met when the child is not yet age 19 on July 1st of the current program year.

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