

They are not eligible for another categorically mandatory Medicaid coverage group:

- SSI
  - Deemed SSI
  - Parents/Caretaker Relatives
  - Pregnant Women
  - Children Under Age 19
  - Former Foster Children
- They are not entitled to or enrolled in Medicare Part A or B.
  - The income eligibility requirements described in Chapter 10 are met.

**NOTE:** Parents or other caretaker relatives living with a dependent child under the age of 19 are not eligible for Medicaid in the Adult Group unless the child is receiving benefits under Medicaid, CHIP, or otherwise is enrolled in minimum essential health coverage (MEC). See Section 10.1 for definition.

**NOTE:** If a woman indicates at application that she is pregnant she is not eligible to be included in the Adult Group; she must be evaluated for the Pregnant Women coverage group. If a woman currently receiving Medicaid in the Adult Group later reports a pregnancy to the Department, she should be enrolled in the Pregnant Women coverage group. However, there is no requirement for a woman to report her pregnancy to the Department.

#### **G. FORMER WV FOSTER CHILDREN**

Income: N/A

Assets: N/A

The Affordable Care Act established a new categorically mandatory coverage group called the WV Former Foster Children group. The Department must begin accepting applications and determining eligibility for Former WV Foster Children on or after October 1, 2013. However, coverage in the Former WV Foster Children Group cannot begin prior to January 1, 2014.

Effective January 1, 2014 Medicaid coverage will be provided in the WV Former Foster Children group to individuals who meet the following requirements:

Specific Medicaid Requirements

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- Are under 26 years of age; **and**
- Are not eligible for another categorically mandatory coverage group; **and**
  - SSI
  - Deemed SSI
  - Parents/Caretaker Relatives
  - Pregnant Women
  - Children Under Age 19
- Were in foster care under the responsibility of the State of West Virginia; **and**
- Receiving Medicaid on the date of attaining 18 years of age, or the date they aged out of foster care, up to age 21.

There is no income or asset test for the WV Former Foster Children coverage group.

**NOTE:** Individuals eligible for both the WV Former Foster Children group and the Adult Group must be enrolled in the WV Former Foster Children group.