Aliens, Refugees and Citizenship

18.9 EMERGENCY MEDICAID FOR ILLEGAL/INELIGIBLE ALIENS

A. INTRODUCTION

Any alien who is not a Qualified Alien is not eligible for Medicaid except in emergency situations.

B. ELIGIBILITY OF NON-QUALIFIED ALIENS

Illegal/Ineligible aliens who meet the residence and other Medicaid policy eligibility criteria are eligible for Medicaid only for treatment of medical conditions meeting the following requirements.

1. Eligibility Requirement For Emergency Services

To be eligible for emergency services, an alien must meet all eligibility requirements of the Medicaid group for which they are applying. See Section 16.6. Pregnant alien women facing imminent delivery or other related problems are evaluated using Medicaid guidelines for all programs. The unborn child is considered as a child in the home.

NOTE: Aliens must provide their SSN(s), if one is available, but must not be required to apply for an SSN.

2. Care And Services For Emergency Services

Care and services are necessary for the treatment of an emergency medical condition of the alien provided such care and services are not related to either an organ transplant procedure or routine prenatal or post partum care.

The alien must have, after sudden onset, a medical condition (including emergency labor and delivery) showing acute symptoms of sufficient severity (including severe pain) such that the absence of immediate medical attention could reasonably be expected to result in

- Placing the patient's health in serious jeopardy;
- Serious impairment to bodily functions; or
- Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

NOTE: If an alien is in need of ongoing emergency medical this must be approved by DFA prior to the continuation of medical benefits.

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