

**Rule No. 560-X-25-12. Periods of Entitlement.**

(1) The earliest date of entitlement for Medicaid is the first day of the month of application for assistance under one of the categorical programs, provided the individual meets all factors of eligibility for that month. The individual who is eligible on the first day of the month is entitled to Medicaid for the full month.

(2) An exception to (1), above, is Retroactive Medicaid Coverage. Individuals who have incurred medical expenses for the three months immediately preceding the month of application for Medicaid or the three months prior to the receipt of the first SSI check (for SSI cases), may become eligible for Medicaid benefits during that time provided all eligibility requirements are met for each month. Application for Retroactive Medicaid must be made within six months from the month of notification of award of Medicaid benefits and/or cash assistance.

(3) When a ~~family household~~ is terminated from ~~Medicaid for Low-Income Families~~ the Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives program, because of earnings of the caretaker relative, including earnings from new employment or increased earnings or increased hours of employment, Medicaid may be provided for up to 12 calendar months beginning with the month ~~Medicaid for Low-Income Families~~ the Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives benefit is terminated, provided the ~~family household~~ correctly received ~~Medicaid for Low-Income Families~~ Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives benefits in 3 of the immediately preceding 6 months. To be eligible for the first 6 month Medicaid extension, the ~~assistance unit household~~ must continue to include a dependent child. To be eligible for the second 6-month Medicaid extension, the ~~assistance unit household~~ must have complied with specified reporting requirements in the initial 6 months of benefits; continue to include a dependent child; have a gross ~~family household income (less work-related child care expenses)~~ that does not exceed 185% of the Federal Poverty level in the immediately preceding 3 months; and the caretaker relative must have earnings in one or more of the immediately preceding 3 months.

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