

## Overview of Eligibility and Enrollment Systems and Ancillary Functions

The following is provided to describe the current Eligibility Enrollment Systems and Ancillary Functions:

SUBSYSTEM	MAJOR FUNCTIONS/DESCRIPTIONS:
Expedite	<p>The Expedite system is an online version of the Alabama Medicaid Nursing Home Application. The online application is designed in sections imitating to a great degree the paper application (Form 204/205). The Expedite Online Medicaid Application process provides the ability to save an application for completion at a later date. Saving an application does not submit it to the Alabama Medicaid Agency. Once an application has been saved, the applicant (or sponsor) may return at any time to finish the application and submit it for processing. Once the Expedite application is submitted, it is transferred to the AMAES for processing.</p>
Alabama Medicaid Application and Eligibility System (AMAES)	<p>File contains at least five (5) years of data on approximately 1.2 million Medicaid eligibles including those certified by the Social Security Administration (SSA), Department of Human Resources (DHR), Department of Youth Services (DYS), and detailed data on all applications processed by the Medicaid District Offices and SOBRA Outstation locations. This file is updated by the following processes: batch programs, daily data files from DHR and SSA, and on-line access at the Medicaid Central office, District offices, out stationed SOBRA workers, and DHR.</p> <p><b>MAJOR FUNCTIONS INCLUDE:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide on-line software to allow users INQUIRY and UPDATE capability on the AMAES file, Provide STATISTICAL DATA &amp; VARIOUS REPORTS to other in-house Agency users and other state agencies as required,</li> <li>2. Provide on-line capability to GENERATE VERIFICATION LETTERS for District Office and SOBRA recipients (Letters are generated for banks, tax assessors, nursing homes, SSA, and the Veterans Administration.),</li> <li>3. Provide capability to generate on-line AWARD, DENIAL and TERMINATION LETTERS for SSA, District Office and SOBRA recipients,</li> <li>4. Provide capability to generate and calculate on-line BUDGETS for Eligibility determinations and for annual reviews for District Office and SOBRA recipients,</li> <li>5. Provide DAILY ON-LINE TRANSMISSION OF DATA from Medicaid to our fiscal agent to be used in online claim submission, eligibility verification, and claims editing and adjudication,</li> <li>6. Perform several vital annual processes to the Eligibility File data such as the COLA (COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS).</li> </ol> <p>Alabama uses a separate asset verification vendor to verify recipient resources</p>
Centralized Alabama Recipient Eligibility System (CARES)	<p>Medicaid is developing a new eligibility system called CARES that will replace AMAES in the future. Currently all eligibility groups that use the MAGI (modified adjusted gross income) methodology including Alabama's Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), are processed in the CARES system. An on-line citizen portal feeds data to CARES and provides remote identity proofing for applicants and real time data</p>

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	verification and eligibility determinations. CARES uses the FDSH (federal data services hub) interface to receive automated real time verifications of income and other data points for CARES applicants. Eligibility determinations and referrals for Medicaid and CHIP are also received from the Federal Marketplace and processed for Medicaid and CHIP eligibility programs. Both AMAES and CARES provide eligibility data.
Medicare	This data is maintained on the AMAES file. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) supplies monthly BUY-IN data for Alabama's recipients with Medicare Parts A, B and/or D.
Beneficiary Earnings Data Exchange	The Beneficiary Earnings Data Exchange (BENDEX) File contains data concerning the Social Security payments being made to Alabama Medicaid recipients. This information is updated by electronically transmitted data sent by the Social Security Administration (SSA) and is accessible on-line by the Agency staff.
State Data Exchange (SDX) File	State Data is maintained on the file for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients and is accessible on-line to the agency staff. SSA transmits daily update files of additions and terminations for those SSI recipients eligible for Medicaid in Alabama.
State Verification Exchange System (SVES)	This system provides the data exchange of the Social Security numbers (standard response), Title II (BENDEX) data and Title XVI (SDX) data by overnight direct electronic transmission of all recipients of federally funded aid in order to fully utilize the Social Security Administration's data to help establish eligibility and ineligibility in Alabama. This data as it is received from SSA is on-line accessible to the Agency staff.
Pseudo SSN System	This system is used online by Agency eligibility workers to assign a temporary Social Security Number to a recipient until the recipient receives a valid SSN from the Social Security Administration and Medicaid is notified of that number or until an "unborn child" on our Eligibility File has actually been born and the parent can now apply for eligibility. These "pseudo" numbers are system generated, confirmed by the workers, and permanently tied to the recipient's valid SSN and future data received for that recipient.