

## 2005.00.00 THE INTERVIEW (MED 1, MED 2, MED 4)

This section does not apply to the following applicants who are exempt from the personal interview requirement.

- Applicants for MAGI coverage (any MED 3 category)
- LIS/MSP applicants sent electronically to the eligibility system via data exchange from SSA
- ~~Effective June 1, 2014,~~ SSI recipients
- MASI recipients adding a buy in category

An interactive interview is required for all other individuals who apply, including a paper application for QMB/SLMB/QI/QDW coverage.<sup>1</sup>

It may not be known at the application point whether the applicant will have eligibility determined under a MED 3 category or another applicable category. Once it is known that MED 3 is not applicable, an interview appointment notice must be sent to the applicant and any authorized representative. Refer to IHCPPM 2005.05.10.

The interviewee being considered for MED 1 or MED 4 coverage may choose to be evaluated for either or both categories during the interview. Applicants who fail to keep the initial interview for MED 1 must be assessed to determine if they qualify for coverage under a MAGI category before an application is denied. Such applicants (unless a LIS/MSP application was sent from SSA) should not be selected for QMB/SLMB/QDW/QI coverage if the personal interview was not completed before the application expired.

Category changes: A data gathering interview must also take place for a category change in the following circumstances:

- A limited coverage category (Emergency Services Only, Family Planning Only, or QMB/SLMB/QI/QDW) changing to a MED 1 category
- A MAGI category (HIP, HHW) which disregards resources changing to a category which requires a thorough review of all applicable resources (MED 1, MED 4)
- MASI coverage based on receipt of SSI changing to another MED 1 category due to loss of SSI status or to the circumstances described in IHCPPM 2414.10.20 for widow/ers and Disabled Adult Children.

The only exception is for a member who was interviewed for a MED 1 category but was dual processed (conditionally authorized in HIP pending an ~~MRT or SSA~~ disability decision). If such a member completed the MA D personal interview within the past 90 days, a new interview is not required, and a pending verification request may be sent for updated resource amounts and any other changes.

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<sup>1</sup> 405 IAC 2-1-2