

2.8 CHILDREN UNDER AGE 19

A. CLOSURES

A child may be determined ineligible prior to the expiration of the 12-month CME period only if the child:

- Moves out of state; or
- Dies; or
- Was approved for Medicaid in error; or
- Was approved for Medicaid because of client misrepresentation; or
- Reaches age 19. The child is eligible until the end of the month in which he reaches the age limit. A child who reaches age 19 on the first day of the month remains eligible until the end of that month.

If a child is receiving inpatient services on the date he would lose eligibility due to attainment of the maximum age, eligibility must continue until the end of that inpatient stay.

- Does not have verification of citizenship and/or identity after match with hub. Refer to Chapter 4.3.
- Is approved for SSI and is eligible for SSI Medicaid.
- Is institutionalized. **See Section 8.2.**

In addition, Medicaid is closed at the request of the child's payee.

NOTE: When a child loses eligibility and his family is receiving Transitional Medicaid (TM) or Extended Medicaid, he is included in the AG, if otherwise eligible.

NOTE: A child who is otherwise eligible for Medicaid, but who fails to meet a non-financial Medicaid eligibility requirement, such as documentation of citizenship or cooperation in pursuing medical support, does not qualify for WV CHIP.

NOTE: In no instance is Medicaid coverage under one coverage group to be stopped without consideration of Medicaid eligibility under all over coverage groups.