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# Urgent Read Immediately

## Medicaid Presumptive Eligibility change affects Undocumented Aliens

### Presumptive Eligibility

Presumptive Eligibility (PE) provides limited benefits to low income pregnant women. PE clients are entitled to only ambulatory care services covered by Medicaid. Inpatient hospital care services are not a benefit for PE clients. The PE period extends until Medicaid eligibility is determined.

### Undocumented Aliens PE Policy

Effective for dates of service on or after April 1, 1999, the PE policy for undocumented aliens has changed in the following two ways:

1. All claims for undocumented aliens in the PE period must be submitted on paper.
2. PE for undocumented aliens is effective for *the date span shown on the Temporary PE Medicaid Authorization Card (MAC) regardless of when Medicaid eligibility is determined.* Formerly, PE coverage for undocumented aliens ended when Medicaid eligibility was determined.

Example:

PE period shown on PE MAC card: July 15 <sup>th</sup> through August 31 <sup>st</sup>
Undocumented alien status determined August 1 <sup>st</sup>
Client is eligible for PE ambulatory care services <i>through</i> August 31 <sup>st</sup>

When the PE MAC expires, undocumented aliens are eligible for emergency medical services only.

## Claims and rebills for undocumented alien PE clients

Denied claims and current claims for ambulatory care services during the PE period for undocumented aliens must be submitted according to the following instructions:

### Denied claims for undocumented alien PE clients

If claims for ambulatory care services on or after April 1, 1999 were denied, providers must rebill the claims **on paper**. Attach a copy of the front and back of the temporary PE MAC, showing the eligibility dates. Note "Undocumented/PE" in the Remarks/Comments section of the claim form.

If the claim is outside timely filing and the date of the last remittance statement or the last electronic rejection is within 60 days, enter the Late Bill Override Date (LBOD) in the Remarks/Comments section of the claim form. Use the date of the last remittance or electronic rejection. If the claim is a photocopy, write "re-bill" on the photocopy, and re-sign and re-date the photocopy.

### Current claims for undocumented alien PE clients

Current claims for ambulatory care services also must be submitted on **paper**. Attach a copy of the front and back of the temporary PE MAC, showing the eligibility dates. Note "Undocumented/PE" in the Remarks/Comments section of the claim form.

### Reminders for undocumented alien PE client ambulatory services claims and rebills

- The date of service **must** be on or after April 1, 1999.
- Claims must be submitted on paper.
- A copy of the front and back of the PE card showing eligibility for the date of service must be attached to the claim.
- If the claim is out of timely filing and the date of the last remittance statement or the last electronic rejection is within 60 days, enter the LBOD of the last remittance statement or the last electronic rejection in the Remarks/Comments field.
- Note "Undocumented/PE" in the Remarks/Comments field.

**Claims will be paid only if the Date of Service falls within the eligibility dates shown on the PE card.**