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Background:

CMS is a program of last resort for indigent adults.

Policy:

A: General Relief (GR) Recipients

Approve CMS benefits to a GR recipient (age 21-64) who is **NOT**:

- Determined linked to Medi-Cal eligibility
- Enrolled in Medi-Cal
- Enrolled in Medicare
- Enrolled in a Covered California Health Care Plan or in any health care coverage plan that meets the MEC requirement under ACA

The GR recipient does not have to complete a CMS application. Refer to 08.04 for additional instructions.

B: Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI) Applicants

Process a Medi-Cal DDSD application and a CMS application concurrently for a CMS applicant with a **pending** CAPI application who is **NOT**:

- Determined linked to Medi-Cal eligibility
- Enrolled in Medi-Cal
- Enrolled in Medicare
- Enrolled in a Covered California Health Care Plan or in any health care coverage plan that meets the MEC requirement under ACA

Approve CMS benefits while the DDSD decision is pending, if otherwise eligible. **Note:** If CAPI is **approved** or if there is an **active** CAPI case, the applicant is **not** eligible for CMS. Refer to 02.05 for additional information.

C: Refugees and Immigrants

Approve CMS benefits to a Refugee or Immigrant who is **NOT**:

- Determined linked to Medi-Cal eligibility
- Enrolled in Medi-Cal
- Enrolled in Medicare
- Enrolled in a Covered California Health Care Plan or in any health care coverage plan that meets the MEC requirement under ACA

D: Veterans

Approve CMS benefits to veterans, if otherwise eligible. However, veterans should be encouraged to use all medical services available to them through the Veterans Administration.

Impact:

No impact to other program(s).

Reference(s):

None

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