

# Disabled Adult Children (§1634 DAC)



Eligibility Group Requirements\*: An individual who was receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits and who meets the following:

- Is at least 18 years of age;
- Has blindness or a disability which began before the age of 22;
- Has been receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) based on blindness or disability; and
- Has lost Supplemental Security Income (SSI) due to the receipt of Social Security benefits on a parent's record due to the retirement, death or disability of a parent.

\*If the person meets **all** of the above criteria, they may qualify as a Disabled Adult Child under Section 1634 of the Social Security Act (regarding DAC). This designation comes from the Social Security Administration. Eligibility for Medicaid may continue as long as the person is determined blind or disabled. However, if the person receives income from another source or exceeds the resource limits, they may become ineligible for Medicaid coverage

## What should an individual do if they lose their SSI benefits and Medicaid coverage because they are now receiving Social Security Disabled Adult Child (DAC) benefits, resulting in their income exceeding the SSI income limit?

You should have received a letter from the Social Security Administration (SSA) verifying that you may continue to be eligible for Medicaid coverage under this eligibility group (§1634 DAC). If you have not received this letter, or no longer have this letter, contact your Social Security Representative by calling 1-800-772-1213 (available Monday – Friday from 7am - 7pm) to request a Benefit Award letter verifying Social Security benefits as a Disabled Adult Child or Disabled Dependent Child who received SSI in the past.





## **To obtain Medicaid Eligibility for individuals applying who are expected to be enrolled on the Community Care Waiver (CCW):**

You will need to complete the Medicaid Only-Community Care Waiver application that is sent to you and provide the necessary documents, including the letter from the SSA verifying that you may be eligible for DAC status for consideration of Medicaid eligibility under Section 1634 of the Social Security Act (regarding DAC).

## **To obtain Medicaid Eligibility for individuals who are expected to eventually be enrolled on the Supports Program:**

You must contact your County Welfare Agency for an appointment to apply for Medicaid. You will need to complete the appropriate Medicaid application, and provide the necessary documents; including the letter from the SSA verifying that you may be eligible for DAC status for consideration of Medicaid eligibility under Section 1634 of the Social Security Act (regarding DAC), to the County Welfare Agency.



If you have any questions or any difficulty obtaining Medicaid for an individual who may have §1634 DAC status, please do not hesitate to contact your DDD Regional Office and ask to speak with your Case Manager. You may also email any questions to: **[DDD.MediElighelpdesk@dhs.state.nj.us](mailto:DDD.MediElighelpdesk@dhs.state.nj.us)**