

**INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM**  
**MAD GI: 15-03**  
**DATE: April 3, 2015**

**TO: ISD AND MAD STAFF**

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**THROUGH:** *RB* Roy Burt, Bureau Chief, Eligibility Bureau

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**RE: Medical Assistance for Women and Children Categories transition to Affordable Care Act Categories of Eligibility**

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) implemented, on January 01, 2014, a new income methodology called Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI). MAGI uses a gross income standard replacing the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) income methodology which used a net income standard. The new ACA categories that use MAGI methodology replace the Medical Assistance for Women and Children (MAWC) and JUL categories.

On April 01, 2014, as recipients renewed their Medicaid under a MAWC or JUL category, they transitioned to an ACA category if eligible.

For the past several months, staff at the Human Services Department has been working with Deloitte in transitioning MAWC categories to ACA categories automatically. The result is all MAWC categories should transition to one of the new ACA categories by March 31, 2015, if eligible.

<u>OLD COEs</u>	<u>New ACA COE Equivalent</u>
N/A	100 (MAGI Adult)
072	200 (MAGI Parent)
030	300 (MAGI Pregnant Women)
035P	301 (MAGI Pregnancy Services)
032	400-403, 420 (MAGI Children/CHIP)

**Do not override eligibility to place a recipient back on a MAWC category as this will not be in compliance with the ACA or policy.**

If you have any questions regarding this GI please contact Richard McIntyre at 505-476-6818 or via email at [Richard.McIntyre@state.nm.us](mailto:Richard.McIntyre@state.nm.us)

# BEFORE ACA

LEGACY COE Description	LEGACY ISD2 COE	PRIOR Omnicaid COE
Family planning (0% -185%)	COE 035F	COE 029
Families (0%-85% + Standard Of Need)	COE 072	COE 072
Full Medicaid Pregnancy (185% of 1996 Standard Of Need)	COE 030	COE 030
Pregnancy Related Only (0%-185 FPL)	COE 035P	COE 035
Children's Medicaid Ages 0-5 (0% to 133% FPL)	COE 032Q	COE 032
Children's Medicaid Ages 6-19 (0% to 133% FPL)	COE 032M	COE 032
Children's Medicaid Ages 0-5 (134% to 184% FPL)	COE 032R	COE 036
Children's Medicaid Ages 6-19 (134% to 184% FPL)	COE 032L	COE 036
Children's Medicaid Ages 0-5 (185% to 235% FPL)(CHIP)	COE 032Y	COE 071
Children's Medicaid Ages 6-19 (185% to 235% FPL)(CHIP)	COE 032C	COE 071

# Applications

# ACA

New COE Description	ASPEN Description	New Omnicaid COE
Family Planning (133-235% FPL)	Family Planning	COE 029
Other Adults (0%-133% FPL) (Benchmark)	MAGI Adult	COE 100
Parents/Caretaker Relatives (0- approximately 46% FPL Fixed Standard)	MAGI Parent	COE 200
Full Medicaid for Pregnant Women (0%- approximately 46% FPL Fixed Standard )	MAGI Pregnant Women	COE 300
Pregnancy-Related Medicaid (approximately 46% FPL fixed standard- up to 250% FPL)	MAGI Pregnancy Services	COE 301
Children's Medicaid Ages 0-5 (0%-138% FPL)	MAGI Children	COE 400
Children's Medicaid Ages 6-19 (0%-138% FPL)	MAGI Children	COE 401
Children's Medicaid Ages 0-5 (138%-240% FPL)	MAGI Children	COE 402
Children's Medicaid Ages 6-19 (138%-190% FPL)	MAGI Children	COE 403
CHIP Medicaid Ages 0-5 (240%-300% FPL)	MAGI CHIP	COE 420
CHIP Medicaid Ages 6-19 (190%-240% FPL)	MAGI CHIP	COE 421