

## Medicaid Eligibility Procedure Letter No. 109

**Effective Date:** March 1, 2016

**OAC Rules:** 5160:1-4-02, 5160:1-4-03, 5160:1-4-04, and 5160:1-4-05

**To:** All Medicaid Eligibility Manual Holders

**From:** John B. McCarthy, Director

**Subject:** Medicaid: 2016 Federal Poverty Level Income Guidelines for Healthy Families, Healthy Start, and MAGI-Based Medicaid

**Reason for Change:** On January 25, 2016, the United States Department of Health and Human Services updated the federal poverty level (FPL) income guidelines.

**New Policy:** The FPL income guidelines for the Healthy Families, Healthy Start, and MAGI-Based Medicaid programs will be changed effective March 1, 2016.

### Action Required:

Beginning March 1, 2016, the CDJFS must determine initial and ongoing eligibility for MAGI-Based Medicaid using the following FPL income guidelines:

2016 Monthly Federal Poverty Level Income Guidelines						
Family Size	Individuals Age 19 or 20 44%	Parent or Caretaker Relative 90%	MAGI Adults 133%	Coverage for Children 156%*	Pregnant Women 200%	Coverage for Children 206%**
1	\$436	\$891	\$1,317	\$1,545	\$1,980	\$2,040
2	\$588	\$1,202	\$1,776	\$2,083	\$2,670	\$2,751
3	\$740	\$1,512	\$2,235	\$2,621	\$3,360	\$3,461
4	\$891	\$1,823	\$2,694	\$3,159	\$4,050	\$4,172
5	\$1,043	\$2,133	\$3,153	\$3,698	\$4,740	\$4,883
6	\$1,195	\$2,444	\$3,611	\$4,236	\$5,430	\$5,593

\*This standard is used for children **with** creditable insurance.

\*\*This standard is used for children **without** creditable insurance.

The FPL table in Ohio Benefits will be updated with the 2016 FPLs before cutoff for March budgets.

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A CRIS-E View Flash Bulletin (CLVB) is issued with the information contained in this MEPL.

Medicaid Eligibility Policy Letter No. 97 is obsolete upon the effective date of this MEPL.

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