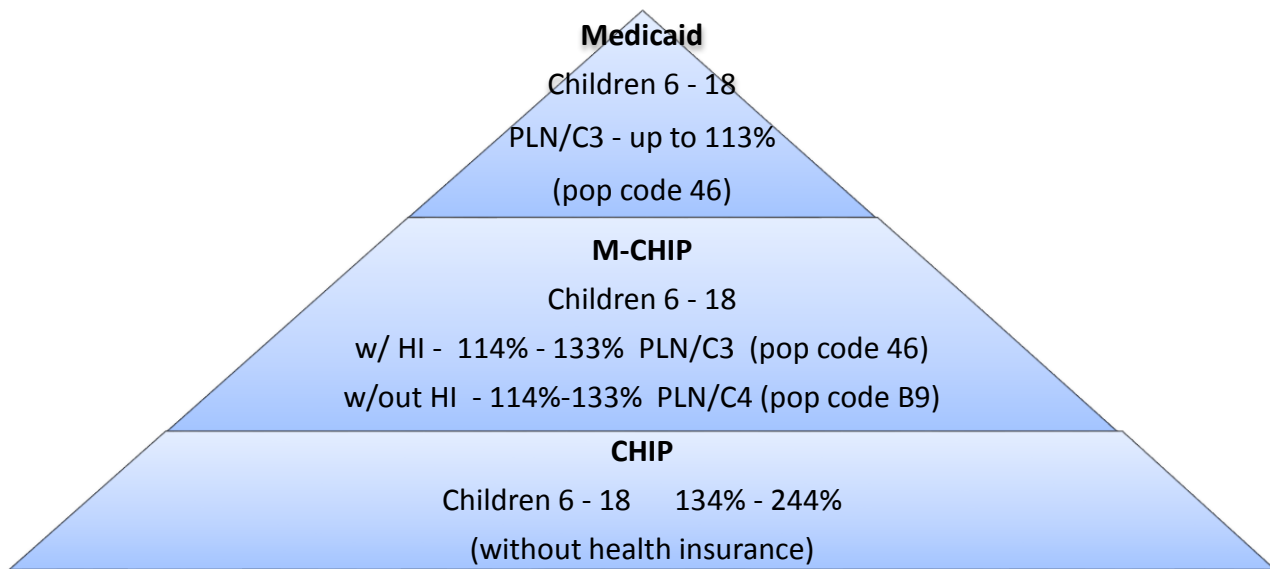# Job Aid – M-CHIP

Objective

The goal of this job aid is to provide instructions for how to process 'Medicaid –CHIP' (M-CHIP) eligibility.

Overview

M-CHIP is new category of Medicaid coverage within the MAGI Title 19 (aka PLN) sub-program. Only children between the ages of 6 – 18 who are between 113% and 133% of the poverty level standard (PLS) may qualify for M-CHIP. Since M-CHIP is Medicaid, CHIP specific requirements do not apply; however, the funding for these children is still related to CHIP. Children who meet M-CHIP criteria **can receive M-CHIP in prior medical** months.

 Since EDBC does not currently determine M-CHIP eligibility, EDBC may create a passing CHIP budget in error for a child who is M-CHIP eligible. EDBC may also fail (CHIP) due to other health insurance, access to State Health insurance, or past due premiums for a child who is M-CHIP eligible. Both situations need to be overridden in order to provide M-CHIP eligibility.

Medicaid
Children 6 - 18
PLN/C3 - up to 113%
(pop code 46)

M-CHIP
Children 6 - 18
w/ HI - 114% - 133% PLN/C3 (pop code 46)
w/out HI - 114%-133% PLN/C4 (pop code B9)

CHIP
Children 6 - 18   134% - 244%
(without health insurance)

Note: To determine % of poverty, the countable income amount must be compared to the amounts listed on the Kansas Medical Assistance Standard chart.   The % displayed on EDBC Results is incorrect and cannot be used.

Until a KEES change request can be implemented, M-CHIP children will be overridden to PLN. When overriding, specific override aid codes must be selected based on whether the M-CHIP child has other health insurance/access to state health insurance or not. One of two override aid code values will be selected. One sets a PLN/C3 and the other should set a PLN/C4. Currently there is a defect and PLN/C4 displays as PLN/C3 in KEES.

Although, due to the defect, both aid codes display as PLN/C3 in KEES, in MMIS, the correct population (pop) code is still set depending on which aid code was selected when EDBC was overridden. Pop codes determine drawdown on federal funding.

Selecting *'Poverty Level Programs – Age 6 -18 FPL < 101'* as the override aid code will set a PLN/C3 in KEES and a Pop Code of 46 in MMIS.   Select *'Poverty Level Programs – Age 6 -18 FPL < 101'* for both:

- children under 113% who receive Medicaid through PLN, and
- M-CHIP child(ren) who have health insurance or access to state health insurance

Selecting *'Poverty Level Programs – Age 6 -18 FPL 101 – 133'* as the override aid code should set a PLN/C4 in KEES, but due to the defect will also set a PLN/C3 in KEES; however, it will set the correct Pop Code of B9 in MMIS.   *'Poverty Level Programs – Age 6 -18 FPL 101 – 133'* is used when the child is M-CHIP and does NOT have health insurance or access to state health insurance.

Since EDBC is overridden, the notice must be created as a form. The cut and paste template for approvals can be used. The type of coverage does not need to be included in the notice.

Process

1) **Determine potential for M-CHIP**
   If EDBC is either not building CHIP budgets or building failing CHIP budgets, determine if there is any potential for M-CHIP. Is the:
   a) Child between the ages of 6 through 18? If not, proceed normally as child is not M-CHIP.
   b) Income within the 113% - 133% range? If not, proceed normally as child is not M-CHIP.

2) **Passing PLT/C2 budget**
   When you see a passing PLT/C2 budget, you need to check to see if the child is M-CHIP. If the child is between 6 and 18, falls between 113% - 133%, is not subject to a premium penalty, is not covered by other health insurance and has no access to State Health Insurance, a passing CHIP budget may be built. EDBC must be overridden as the child is M-CHIP eligible.
   a) Override the passing CHIP budget to failing.
   b) Override the failing MAGI Title 19 budget to passing. When overriding, ensure the test category is *'MAGI Title 19'* and select *'Poverty Level Programs - Age 6 - 18 FPL 101 to 133'* from the Aid Code dropdown list. This sets a PLN/C4 (or PLN/C3 until defect resolved) with a B9 pop code.

3) **Failing CHIP Due To Health Insurance Related Requirements**
   Whenever a child fails CHIP, determine if the child is between 6 and 18, falls between 113% - 133%, and is failing CHIP due to other health insurance or access to State Health Insurance. If the child is ineligible due to health insurance related requirements, the child is M-CHIP and EDBC must be overridden.
   a) Leave the failing CHIP budget as is.
   b) Override the failing MAGI T19 budget to passing. **(Note: Both EDBC Program Configuration and EDBC Medical Summary must be overridden).** When overriding Medical Summary, ensure the test category is *'MAGI Title 19'* and select *'Poverty Level Programs - Age 6 - 18 FPL < 101'* from the aid code dropdown. This sets a PLN/C3 with a 46 pop code.

4) **Failing CHIP due to Past Due Premiums**
   Premium Enforcement does not apply to M-CHIP. So if the child is between 6 and 18, falls between 113% - 133%, and there are delinquent premiums, CHIP will fail. However, past due premiums are not relevant so EDBC must be overridden to provide M-CHIP.
   a) If failing due to both health insurance related issues and past due premiums, follow steps in #3 above.
   b) If CHIP is failing due solely to past due premiums, **override both EDBC Program Configuration and Medical Summary.** Override the failing MAGI Title 19 budget to passing and select *'Poverty Level Programs - Age 6 - 18 FPL 101 – 133'* from the aid code dropdown. This sets a PLN/C4 (or PLN/C3 until defect resolved) with a B9 pop code.

5) **Failing CHIP due to Requirements Not Specific to CHIP**
   If the child is being denied for reasons which are not specific to CHIP (such as not meeting general eligibility criteria or failure to provide) proceed normally as the reason for denial would also apply to M-CHIP.