



PROVIDER QUICK TIPS

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Revised Procedures for Presumptive Eligibility as Determined by Hospitals

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) (Pub. L. 111-148) expanded the population of individuals who may be determined eligible for Medical Assistance (MA) through the Presumptive Eligibility (PE) process and allowed qualified inpatient acute care hospitals to make PE determinations for those individuals.

The Department of Human Services (the department) previously issued MA bulletin (MAB) 01-13-56, Presumptive Eligibility as Determined by Hospitals, on December 6, 2013, and MAB 01-15-08, Revised Presumptive Eligibility as Determined by Hospitals, on February 24, 2015. These bulletins reviewed the processes, policies, and procedures to be followed for presumptive eligibility as determined by hospitals as well as any changes to how qualified PE providers determined eligibility or changes in the population for whom qualified hospitals can make PE determinations.

Changes have been made to COMPASS, which will support and streamline the PE eligibility determination and application process. As a result, current qualified hospital PE providers that previously completed the online training and Certificate of Completion must participate in a new online training and complete a new Certificate of Completion by December 14, 2015, in order to continue making PE determinations effective January 1, 2016. To accommodate this requirement, the revised online PE training module will be available on the department's website effective November 16, 2015. The training is located at: <http://www.dhs.pa.gov/affordablecareact/providers/index.htm>. Upon completion of the revised online PE training module, current qualified PE providers must submit the Certificate of Completion form, found at the end of the training module, via any one of the following options:

Email: Ra-ProvApp@pa.gov (Indicate subject as "Certificate of Completion")

Fax: 717-265-8284 (Indicate "Certificate of Completion" on fax cover sheet)

Mail: DHS/OMAP/BFFSP

Attention: Provider Enrollment Unit/ACA PE

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The department intends to issue a new MAB regarding Presumptive Eligibility as Determined by Hospitals, which will supersede the two MABs referenced above.

Thank you for your service to our Medical Assistance (MA) recipients.

We value your participation.

Check the department's website often at: www.dhs.pa.gov

