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SUBCHAPTER 1

GENERAL PROVISIONS

§17-1717-1 Purpose. This chapter streamlines and consolidates Medicaid eligibility for a parent or caretaker relative, to include a qualified non-citizen, aged or certified as blind or disabled individual living with a child under age nineteen, or who is under age twenty-one and in receipt of foster care, kinship guardianship or adoption assistance, and implements section 1931 of the Social Security Act through the enactment of the Parent or Caretaker Relatives Group under the provisions of the Affordable Care Act of 2010. [Eff 09/30/13] (Auth: HRS §346-14; 42 CFR §435.110) (Imp: HRS §346-14; 42 CFR §435.110)

§17-1717-2 General requirements. The confidentiality, administrative appeal, fraud, medical assistance recovery, application processing, eligibility review, and adverse action provisions described in subtitle 12 shall pertain to a parent or caretaker relative who applies or is eligible under this chapter. [Eff 09/30/13] (Auth: HRS §§346-14, 346-29 346-44; 42 C.F.R. §§431.200, 431.206, 431.221, 431.230, 431.300, 435.119, 435.201, 435.907, 435.916, 455.1) (Imp: HRS §§346-14, 346-29 346-44; 42 C.F.R. §§431.200, 431.206, 431.221, 431.230, 431.300, 435.119, 435.201, 435.907, 435.916, 455.1)

§§17-1717-3 to 17-1717-7 (Reserved).

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SUBCHAPTER 2

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

§17-1717-8 Purpose. This subchapter describes the eligibility requirements for participation in the Parent or Caretaker Relatives Group.

[Eff 09/30/13] (Auth: HRS §346-14; 42 CFR §§435.110, 435.201) (Imp: HRS §346-14; 42 CFR §§435.110, 435.201)

§17-1717-9 Basic requirements. A parent or caretaker relative shall meet the basic eligibility requirements, which include but are not be limited to, citizenship, qualified non-citizen status, state residency, verification of identity, not residing in a public institution and the provision of a social security number, as described in chapter 17-1714.1.

[Eff 09/30/13] (Auth: HRS §§346-14, 346-29; 42 C.F.R. §§435.110, 435.400, 435.910) (Imp: HRS §§346-14, 346-29; 42 C.F.R. §§435.110, 435.400, 435.910)

§17-1717-10 Categorical requirements. (a) A parent or caretaker relative shall be eligible to participate in this chapter when:

- (1) The parent or caretaker relative assumes primary responsibility for the care and control of a child residing in their household and the child is enrolled in Medicaid to include but not limited to a child under the jurisdiction of the court or legal custody is held by a public department authority;
- (2) A parent or caretaker relative who is aged or disabled and in receipt of Medicare benefits; and
- (3) The parent or caretaker relative is not in receipt of supplemental security income (SSI).
- (4) Legally married spouse of a parent or caretaker relative even after the marriage

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ended in death or divorce.

(b) A parent or caretaker relative described in subsection (a)(1) shall be subject to the requirements of this chapter, except if applying on the basis of age, blindness or disability is required, the provisions of chapters 17-1719, 17-1724.1 and 17-1725.1 shall be applied. [Eff 09/30/13] (Auth: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§430.25, 435.4, 435.110, 435.603) (Imp: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §430.25, §435.4, 435.110, 435.603)

§17-1717-11 Income requirements. (a) The modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) methodology shall be used to determine the countable income for the household under the provisions of chapter 17-1724.2.

(b) The income standard for participation in the Parents or Caretakers Relative Group is one hundred percent of the federal poverty level plus the applicable income disregard percentage as determined by federal regulation for a household of applicable size.

(c) When the household's income meets the standard of need or standard of assistance in effect on July 16, 1996:

- (1) Standard of need is the financial assistance standard of one hundred percent of the Federal Poverty Limit (FPL) established by the federal government in 1993 for a household of the same size; or
- (2) Standard of assistance is the monthly financial assistance payment in effect of sixty-two and one-half percent of the standard of need described in 17-1719-11(d) for a household of the same size.

(d) A parent or caretaker relative may, but is not required, to claim the child in the household as a tax dependent for federal income tax purposes.

(e) When a parent or caretaker relative is determined ineligible under provisions of this chapter, eligibility shall be considered under chapter 17-1717.1 followed by other applicable chapters.

[Eff 09/30/13] (Auth: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§435.110, 435.601, 435.603) (Imp: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§435.110, 435.601, 435.603)

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§17-1717-12 Asset requirements. Assets shall not be considered in the determination of eligibility for participation in the Parent or Caretaker Relatives Group. [Eff 09/30/13] (Auth: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§435.110, 435.603) (Imp: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§435.110, 435.603)

§17-1717-13 Eligibility review requirements. (a) An eligible parent or caretaker relative shall receive an annual eligibility review every twelve months.

(b) Eligibility shall be redetermined in accordance with chapter 17-1712.1 and subchapter 5 of chapter 17-1714.1. [Eff 09/30/13] (Auth: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§435.110, 435.916) (Imp: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§435.110, 435.916)

§§17-1717-14 to 17-1717-18 (Reserved).

SUBCHAPTER 3

FREEDOM OF CHOICE, ENROLLMENT, BENEFITS AND DISENROLLMENT

§17-1717-19 Purpose. This subchapter addresses and refers to the provisions of freedom of choice, enrollment, benefits and disenrollment for a parent or caretaker relative who is eligible in accordance with this chapter. [Eff 09/30/13] (Auth: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§430.25, 431.10, 431.40) (Imp: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§430.25, 431.10, 431.40)

§17-1717-20 Freedom of choice. (a) A parent or caretaker relative eligible in accordance with this chapter, with the exception of an individual identified in section 17-1735.1-2(a), shall be provided a choice of a health plan and a provider as described in chapter 17-1720.1.

(b) An individual identified in section 17-1735.1-2(a) shall choose a department approved provider as described in chapter 17-1736-3. [Eff 09/30/13]

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(Auth: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§430.25, 431.51, 438.52) (Imp: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§430.25, 431.51, 438.52)

§17-1717-21 Enrollment into a participating health plan. (a) A parent or caretaker relative eligible in accordance with this chapter, with the exception of an individual identified in section 17-1735.1-2(a), shall be enrolled in a health plan as described in chapter 17-1720.1.

(b) A parent or caretaker relative identified in section 17-1735.1-2(a) shall not be enrolled into a plan and their healthcare services shall be provided on a fee-for-service basis. [Eff 09/30/13] (Auth: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§430.25, 431.10, 431.40, 438.50) (Imp: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§430.25, 431.10, 431.40, 438.50)

§17-1717-22 Benefits. (a) A parent or caretaker relative eligible in accordance with this chapter who is enrolled in a health plan shall be provided a standard benefits package by a participating health plan and other services when appropriate as described in chapter 17-1720.

(b) A parent or caretaker relative identified in section 17-1735.1-2(a) shall be provided coverage under the fee-for-service provisions as described in chapter 17-1737. [Eff 09/30/13] (Auth: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§430.25, 431.40, 438.6) (Imp: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §§430.25, 431.40, 438.6)

§17-1717-23 Disenrollment from a health plan. An enrollee shall be disenrolled from a health plan under the provisions as described in chapter 17-1720.1. [Eff 09/30/13] (Auth: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §430.25, 431.40, 438.56) (Imp: HRS §346-14; 42 C.F.R. §430.25, 431.40, 438.56)

§§17-1717-24 to 17-1717-28 (Reserved).