

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

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1902(e)(13) of
the Act

(e) Express Lane Option. The Medicaid State agency elects the option to rely on a finding from an Express Lane agency when determining whether a child satisfies one or more components of Medicaid eligibility. The Medicaid State agency agrees to meet all of the Federal statutory and regulatory requirements for this option. This authority may not apply to eligibility determinations made before April 11, 2011 or after September 30, 2013.

(1) The Express Lane option is applied to:

Initial determinations Redeterminations Both

(2) A child is defined as younger than age:

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(3) The following public agencies are approved by the Medicaid State agency as Express Lane agencies:

New Jersey Department of Agriculture as administered by and through the New Jersey Department of Education

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- (4) The following component/components of Medicaid eligibility are determined under the Express Lane option. Also, specify any differences in budget unit, deeming, income exclusions, income disregards, or other methodology between Medicaid eligibility determinations for such children and the determination under the Express Lane option.

The components of Medicaid eligibility under this Express Lane option are income and residency.

Under this Express Lane option, income is determined by individual eligibility for Free lunch within the School Lunch Program (SLP), which has an income threshold of 130% FPL. The SLP determines income using adjusted gross income. This is different because without the Express Lane option, earned income disregards, the child support disregard and child care deductions would have been used when calculating financial eligibility for Medicaid.

Residency is accepted based on the child's status as a student in the school district, as determined by the Express Lane Agency. This is different because without the Express Lane option, families must provide proof of residency by submitting documentation such as school records or utility bills.

Full eligibility is then determined by:

- verifying citizenship and identity using available electronic data bases
- determining family size using our subsequent application.

- (5) Check off which option is used to satisfy the Screen and Enroll requirement before a child may be enrolled under title XXI.

- (a) Screening threshold established by the Medicaid agency as:
 - (i) ___ percentage of the Federal poverty level (exceeds the highest Medicaid income threshold applicable to a child by a minimum of 30 percentage points); or

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- (ii) ___ percentage of the Federal poverty level (that reflects the value of any differences between income methodologies of Medicaid and the Express Lane);
- (b) Temporary enrollment pending screen and enroll.
- (c) State’s regular screen and enroll process for CHIP.

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- (6) Check off if the State elects the option for automatic enrollment without a Medicaid application, based on data obtained from other sources and with the child’s or family’s affirmative consent to the child’s Medicaid enrollment.
- (7) Check off if the State elects the option to rely on a finding from an Express Lane agency that includes gross income or adjusted gross income shown by State income tax records or returns.