

MAGI-BASED ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION PLAN

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Section A. Verification Procedures for Factors of Eligibility

Eligibility Factor	Self-Attestation Accepted without Additional Verification (Y/N)	Self-Attestation Accepted with Post-Eligibility Verification (Y/N)	Electronic Data Source Used (Y/N)	Reasonable Compatibility Standard Used	Specify Reasonable Compatibility Standard for Income	Ask for a Reasonable Explanation from the Individual (Y/N)	Paper Documentation Required from the Individual (Y/N)	Comments
Income*	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	Prior to eligibility determination, Oregon will use available electronic sources to verify income. If attested income information is not reasonably compatible* with electronic verification sources, the applicant will be requested to provide verification or a reasonable explanation of the discrepancy. *Reasonable compatibility:
Residency	YES	NO	NO	N/A	N/A	NO	NO	Self-attestation of residency will be accepted and questionable residency verified during the state's post-eligibility verification process. Rarely, eligibility workers may need to ask the beneficiary for additional information, including documentation. If no residency documentation is available, we will accept the client's statement. If necessary, Oregon's Fraud Investigation unit will research residency issues.
Age (Date of Birth)	NO	YES	YES	N/A	N/A	YES	YES	Self-attestation of date of birth (age) will be accepted and verified during the state's post-eligibility verification process. If questionable, state birth certificate records or other electronic sources will be used to document age. If necessary, the eligibility worker will ask for additional information, which may include documentation. If no electronic or paper documentation is available, the beneficiary's statement will be accepted.

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Social Security Number **	NO	YES	YES	N/A	N/A	N/A	YES	<p>SSA data through the hub will be used to verify SSN. Unless exempt from the requirement, self-attestation of an SSN or that an application has been made for an SSN will be accepted and verified as part of the state's post-eligibility verification process. Self-attested SSNs or an application for an SSN will be documented by verifying an SSN has been assigned by the SSA using the state's SOLQ interface with the SSA. If not able to verify the SSN using SSA data, the state will request the beneficiary provide documentation.</p> <p>When sending requests for additional information to applicants, including requests to provide or apply for an SSN, clients are informed that if they need assistance in obtaining the information requested, to contact the agency for help.</p> <p>When a client makes contact in response to this offer, the agency provides a document created cooperatively with the region 10 local Social Security Administration office representatives, which they can bring to their local SSA office to obtain an SSN.</p> <p>If clients are unsuccessful using this process (for example, the individual they encounter in the SSA office is not familiar with the process), the agency will contact the SSA office to ensure this process is followed.</p>
Citizenship **	NO	NO	YES	N/A	N/A	N/A	NO	<p>Oregon accesses citizenship information through the Social Security Administration through the hub</p> <p>According to statute, an individual is given a 90 day reasonable opportunity period for citizenship verification which begins on the date an individual is determined eligible for coverage.</p>

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Immigration Status **	NO	NO	YES	N/A	N/A	N/A	NO	<p>Oregon accesses the Dept. of Homeland Security's SAVE program through the Hub's VLP service.</p> <p>CMS granted Oregon's Hub waiver on 2/26/16 for the following verification process:</p> <p>Oregon has the following process in place to verify lawful presence for applicants:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The current system uses SAVE Step 1 through the Federal Hub for initial verification; if unable to verify 2. Workers at the state processing centers use the SAVE query through the website for SAVE steps 2 and 3. 3. <p>According to current policy the 90 day reasonable opportunity period for immigration status verification begins on the date an individual is determined eligible for coverage.</p>
Household Composition	YES	YES	YES	Parents don't reside in same household and both parents claim custody of child	N/A	YES	YES	Ongoing Medicaid/CHIP benefits from Oregon will be verified prior to approving the beneficiary's current application. If necessary the MAGI medical program eligibility worker will coordinate medical program approval with other agencies providing Oregon M
Pregnancy ***	YES	NO	NO	N/A	N/A	NO	NO	Self-attestation of pregnancy will be accepted. If questionable, the eligibility worker will request additional information, which may include documentation, as part of the state's post-eligibility verification process. If no paper documentation is available, we will accept the client's statement.

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Caretaker Relative	YES	NO	YES	If relative outside the household states they are the caretaker relative	N/A	YES	NO	Self-attestation of caretaker relative status will be accepted and discrepancies resolved during the state's post-eligibility verification process. The eligibility worker will use available state electronic data, including medical program case records and state birth certificate records to resolve discrepancies. If necessary, the eligibility worker will request an explanation and may also request documentation. If no documentation is available, we will accept the client's statement. If necessary, Oregon's Fraud Investigation unit will research household composition issues.
Medicare	NO	YES	YES	N/A	N/A	YES	NO	Self-attestation of Medicare eligibility will be accepted and verified during the states post-eligibility verification process using the state's electronic SOLQ and MMIS interfaces with SSA data. Whenever possible, the eligibility worker will resolve inconsistencies with SSA; rarely the worker may need additional information, including documentation, from the beneficiary.
Application for Other Benefits	NO	YES	YES	N/A	N/A	YES	YES	Self-attestation of other benefits will be accepted and receipt of other benefits verified during the state's post-eligibility verification process. Electronic data used to verify other benefits, including Oregon Employment Department data, SSA data through the state's SOLQ interface and the PARIS match. If necessary, the eligibility worker may ask the beneficiary for additional information, which may include a request for paper documentation.
Other: (Please describe any other eligibility factors in the space below)								
Oregon Medicaid/CHIP beneficiary	NO	NO	YES	N/A	N/A	NO	NO	Ongoing Medicaid/CHIP benefits from Oregon will be verified prior to approving the beneficiary's current application. If necessary the MAGI medical program eligibility worker will coordinate medical program approval with other agencies providing Oregon Medicaid benefits, including Child Welfare, Aging and People with Disabilities and Oregon Youth Authority.

* States must check electronic data sources determined useful to verify income in accordance with 42 CFR 435.948 but can be done post-enrollment.

If the information obtained from electronic data sources and the information provided by or on behalf of the individual are both above, at or below the applicable income standard, the State must determine the applicant eligible or ineligible for Medicaid/CHIP. (NOTE: this option is prepopulated for the state and is not an option that can be changed).

** States must follow statute, regulations, and guidance for verification of SSN, citizenship and immigration status including obtaining such information through the federal data services hub if available.

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*** States must accept self-attestation of pregnancy unless they have information that is not reasonably compatible with such attestation.

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Section B1. Use of Electronic Data Sources

Financial:

Electronic Data Source	Determined Useful (Y/N) ¹	Accuracy Considered (Y/N)	Timeliness Considered (Y/N)	Ability to Access Considered (Y/N)	Age of Data Considered (Y/N)	Comprehensive Considered (Y/N)	Other Criteria Used (Y/N) (Please Describe in Comments section)	Data Source Used at Application (Y/N)	Data Source Used at Renewal (Y/N)	Data Source Used Post-Enrollment (Y/N)	If Data Source Used for Post-Enrollment - Frequency Used (e.g. monthly, quarterly)	Comments
1. Internal Revenue Service (IRS)	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	Annually	Oregon will continue to use the IRS annual report to identify income discrepancies. Available electronic income sources will be reviewed and if necessary the beneficiary may be asked to provide additional information, including documentation. Oregon uses the IRS report to identify overpayments and potential fraud. Workers may adjust coverage dates or end a member's eligibility based on the findings during this process: 1. Identify large income amounts 2. Review associated income and eligibility dates to determine if there was an overpayment due to unreported income 3. Determine if further research is needed (about 4 - 6 cases a year), which can include a request for documentation from the member 4. Take eligibility action and/or refer to fraud unit if needed
2. Social Security Administration (SSA) (SSI, Title II)	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	Other (specify in comments)	Title II income will be received through the Hub at application. As an additional data source, our direct SOLQ/SOLQi data connection may be used to verify SSA benefits as part of the verification process and when acting on a reported change.
3. State Wage Information Collection Agency (SWICA)	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	Quarterly	Oregon uses quarterly matches of Oregon Employment Department employment data to identify potential discrepancies, including unreported or under-reported income.
4. State Unemployment Compensation	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	Other (specify in comments)	Unemployment compensation is verified using the state interface with the Oregon Employment Department.
5. State Administered Supplementary Payment Program	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	Other (specify in comments)	Eligibility workers execute a review of supplementary payments as part of the state's verification process.
6. State General Assistance Programs	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO		The Aging and People with Disabilities GA program is currently closed.

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7. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	Other (specify in comments)	Eligibility workers execute a review of data available from the state's FSMIS as part of the state's verification process.
8. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	Other (specify in comments)	Eligibility workers execute a review of TANF income as part of the state's verification process.
9. Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE)	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	Other (specify in comments)	Eligibility workers execute a review of spousal support as part of the state's verification process.
10. State Income Tax	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO		State Income tax data is not available via interface at this time.
11. Commercial database: (Please describe any commercial databases in the space below)												
Work Number	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	Other (specify in comments)	The Work Number is accessed through the federal hub. Eligibility workers include Work Number data as part of the state's verification process.
12. Other: (Please describe any additional electronic data sources in the space below)												

1. The state marked any criterion YES if they were considered in determining the usefulness of the electronic data source; however, the determination of whether the data source was useful/not useful did not rest solely on these criteria.

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Section B2. Use of Electronic Data Sources

Non-Financial:

Electronic Data Source	To Be Used (Y/N)	Social Security Number	Citizenship	Immigration Status	Residency	Age/DOB	Pregnancy	Household Composition	Caretaker Relative	Medicare	Application for other Benefits	Other	Data Source Used at Application (Y/N)	Data Source Used at Renewal (Y/N)	Data Source Used Post-Enrollment (Y/N)	If Used for Post-Enrollment Frequency Used (i.e. monthly, quarterly)	Comments
1. Social Security Administration (SSA)	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	Other (specify in comments)	Eligibility workers will use SSA data as part of the post-eligibility verification process. SSA data of death data will be used monthly.

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2. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) - SAVE	YES	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	Other (specify in comments)	Oregon accesses the Dept. of Homeland Security's SAVE program through the Hub's VLP service. CMS granted Oregon's Hub waiver on 2/26/16 for the following verification process: Oregon has the following process in place to verify lawful presence for applicants: 1. The current system uses SAVE Step 1 through the Federal Hub for initial verification; if unable to verify 2. Workers at the state processing
3. Vital Statistics	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	YES	Other (specify in comments)	Eligibility workers and other state staff will resolve relationship, citizenship, age and date of death as part of the post-eligibility verification
4. Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	YES	Monthly	DMV data will be used to verify potential third party resources resulting from motor vehicle accident
5. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	Other (specify in comments)	Eligibility workers will review TANF data as part of post-eligibility verification of income.

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6. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	Other (specify in comments)	Eligibility workers will review FSMIS data as part of post-eligibility verification of income.
7. Office of Child Support Enforcement	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	Other (specify in comments)	Eligibility workers will review to verify spousal support, and as needed for household composition, primarily for
8. State General Assistance Programs	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO		
9. Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO		
10. State Income	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO		
11. Commercial database: <i>(Please describe any commercial databases in the space below)</i>																	
APPRISS Incarceration Match	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	YES	Other (specify in comments)	A contractor provides the state with a daily update of individuals newly incarcerated in county jails.

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13. Other: (Please describe additional electronic data sources in the space provided below)																	
12. PARIS*	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	Quarterly	State staff review PARIS data for veterans benefits and enrollment in Medicaid in another state (which could also include identification of residency issues).
Department of Corrections	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	YES	Other (specify in comments)	Weekly update from Department of Corrections of newly incarcerated
State of Oregon Medicaid/CHIP eligibility system	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	Other (specify in comments)	As needed for household composition to determine caretaker relative status.

* Under 42 CFR 435.945(d), all State Medicaid eligibility systems must conduct a match with PARIS for Interstate benefit information. If used for other purposes, please indicate in Section D.

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Section C . Additional Factors of Eligibility for Separate CHIP

Eligibility Factor	Self-Attestation Accepted without Additional Verification	Self-Attestation Accepted with Post-Enrollment Verification	Electronic Data Source Used (Y/N) <i>If Yes, please describe in comments</i>	Paper Documentation Required from the Individual (Y/N)	Non-Applicable (N/A)	Comments
1. Applicant does not have other coverage	NO	YES	YES	YES	Must be Applied	Oregon accepts self-attestation of receipt of other coverage, including, if appropriate, the coverage begin and end date(s). As part of the state's post-eligibility verification process, eligibility workers require the beneficiary provide information sufficient to verify coverage. The information is provided to a shared state service (housed with the Department of Human Services) for verification of coverage dates. If possible, verification is completed through an insurance clearinghouse, however, the clearinghouse is limited to a select group of carriers. If the state is unable to use the clearinghouse, the shared service unit staff contact the carrier directly.
2. Applicant does not have access to affordable ESI	NO	YES	YES	YES		If a child is part of the Medicaid expansion, then Oregon determines cost effectiveness and authorizes Health Insurance Premium Payments (HIPP) using benchmarks determined by OHA's Medical Assistance Programs. The benchmarks are based on average aid expenditures or using a "special conditions" test for individuals with certain medical conditions. Affordability of ESI does not apply to initial or ongoing eligibility for MAGI CHIP applicants/beneficiaries
3. When child has had coverage (as applicable to states' waiting period)					N/A - no waiting period	N/A - no waiting period
4. Access to public employee coverage	NO	NO	NO	NO		There is no data match at this time. Verification of public employee coverage is treated in the same manner as other coverage as per item 1.

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5a. Waiting period exception #1 (describe): The individual has a condition that, without treatment, would be life-threatening or cause permanent loss of function or disability					N/A - no waiting period	N/A - no waiting period
5b. Waiting period exception #2 (describe): The loss of health insurance was due to the loss of or a change in employment					N/A - no waiting period	N/A - no waiting period
5c. Waiting period exception #3 (describe): The individual's private health insurance premium was reimbursed by Oregon's Medicaid Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP).					N/A - no waiting period	N/A - no waiting period
5d. Waiting period exception #4 (describe): The individual's private health insurance was subsidized through Oregon's Family Health Insurance Assistance Program or the Office of Private Health Partnerships (OPHP).					N/A - no waiting period	N/A - no waiting period
5e. Waiting period exception #5 (describe): A member of the individual's filing group was a victim of domestic violence.					N/A - no waiting period	N/A - no waiting period
5f. Waiting period exception #6 (describe):					N/A - no waiting period	
5g. Waiting period exception #7 (describe):					N/A	
5h. Waiting period exception #8 (describe):					N/A	
5i. Waiting period exception #9 (describe):					N/A	
5j. Waiting period exception #10 (describe):					N/A	
6. Other eligibility factors or exceptions to eligibility factors: <i>(Please describe in the space</i>						

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Section D. Additional Verification Questions

	Question	Response
1	If paper documentation is required when a data source is not available or the information obtained from a data source is not reasonably compatible with the information provided by or on behalf of the individual, briefly describe how the state determined that establishing and using an electronic data source was not effective, considering such factors as cost and program integrity in accordance with 42 CFR 435.952(c):	Oregon researched available electronic data sources and determined the data sources considered to be effective at this time. The state accepts self-attestation, uses all available data sources, and asks for additional information before asking the beneficiary for additional documentation.
2	Please describe how the state uses PARIS?	Oregon uses the PARIS match as part of the post-eligibility review process for duplicate state benefits (which could also identify potential residency issues) and Veteran's benefits.
3	Please indicate (YES) or (NO) if the State intends to request Secretarial approval to solely use alternative data sources for financial verification other than those listed in 42 CFR 435.948 (Numbers 1-8 in Section B-1).	NO
	If (YES), please submit a letter to CMS requesting such approval describing how the the state meets the following requirements: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Reduces administrative costs and burdens on both individuals and the State, 2) Maximizes accuracy and minimizes delay, 3) Meets the requirements related to confidentiality, disclosure, maintenance and use of information, and 4) Promotes coordination with other insurance affordability programs. 	N/A

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4	Please indicate (YES) or (NO) if the State intends to request Secretarial approval to use a mechanism other than the federal data services hub for information that is available through the hub.	YES
	<p>If (YES), please submit a letter to CMS requesting such approval describing how the the state meets the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Reduces administrative costs and burdens on both individuals and the State, 2) Maximizes accuracy and minimizes delay, 3) Meets the requirements related to confidentiality, disclosure, maintenance and use of information, and 4) Promotes coordination with other insurance affordability programs. 	Oregon has been granted a Hub waiver to December 31, 2016 to use an existing SAVE match for steps 2 and 3 rather than using the Hub VLP service for this step. Oregon expects to have all steps of SAVE through the Hub's VLP service by December 31, 2016.
5	Describe any additional MAGI-based eligibility verification policies and procedures that have not been covered in this verification plan (optional):	

Section A. Additional Comments

Section B1. Additional Comments

Section B2. Additional Comments

Section C. Additional Comments