

**Addendum to Vermont MAGI Application Processing, Verification, and Renewal Mitigation Plan
Detailed Description of Renewal Plan and Timeline**

This addendum to Vermont’s MAGI mitigation plan, approved by CMS in July 2016 provides a detailed description of Vermont’s MAGI and non-MAGI (MABD) renewal processes for Medicaid and CHIP

Requirement	Regulation(s)	Steps/ Components	Current Status	Mitigation/Mitigation to be Adopted and Timeline	Timeline
Renewals for Beneficiaries Subject to MAGI					
Renewals/ Redeterminations And Coordination	42 CFR §435.916 (a) requires that the eligibility of Medicaid beneficiaries whose financial eligibility is determined using MAGI-based income must be renewed once every 12 months, and no more frequently than once every 12 months.	Periodic Renewal of Medicaid eligibility	The State is catching up on delayed renewals scheduled for April 1, 2014 through the present for beneficiaries in the legacy system who are subject to MAGI and those whose eligibility is based on MAGI (VHC MAGI beneficiaries).	Renewals for beneficiaries in the legacy system who are subject to MAGI to be processed in 2016. Renewals for VHC MAGI beneficiaries due for renewals through December 2016 to be processed in 2016.	<p><u>Renewals for beneficiaries in the legacy system who are subject to MAGI (9,000):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notice 3,000 households per month starting in January 2016 through March 2016. • Final processing of renewals by April 30, 2016. <p><u>Renewals for VHC MAGI beneficiaries due for renewals through December 2016 (54,000):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notice 9,000 households per month starting in April 2016 through September 2016. • Send all initial renewal notices by 11/30/16. • Complete verification noticing and manual lookups for income and SSN by 12/31/16. • Process documents returned after 12/31/16 promptly. The State aims for a 30-day processing timeline. • Vermont provides a 90-day reasonable opportunity period for citizenship and immigration. • Complete verification of all elements, and any terminations by 4/30/17. <p>The State will be conducting annual renewals for the VHC MAGI population on schedule on a monthly cycle as of VHC renewals scheduled for January 2017 (i.e. last day of coverage 1/31/2017).</p>

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Renewals for Aged, Blind, and Disabled Beneficiaries (MABD Populations)					
Renewals/Redeterminations And Coordination	42 CFR §435.916 (b) requires that the agency redetermine the eligibility of Medicaid beneficiaries excepted from modified adjusted gross income at least every 12 months.	Periodic Renewal of Medicaid eligibility	The State is catching up on delayed renewals scheduled for July 1, 2014 through October 31, 2015 for beneficiaries eligible on a basis other than MAGI.	Renewals for MABD Populations to be processed, in the originally scheduled renewal month, between October 2015 and October 2016, and on an ongoing basis.	<u>Renewals for MABD Populations (13,000):</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send the first set of 1,000 renewal notices in October 2015 for November 2015 renewals. 1,000 renewal notices sent each month with the last notices sent in September 2016 for October 2016 renewals (total of 13 months). Complete processing renewals by October 2016. <p>The State will be conducting annual renewals for the MABD population on schedule on a monthly cycle as of October 2016.</p>
	42 CFR §435.916 (a)(2) requires that the agency redetermine eligibility without requiring information from the individual if able to do so based on information from available data sources.	Conducting ex parte renewals	No functionality exists for ex-parte for non-MAGI.	None. Renewals are completed on paper or by phone. Beneficiaries must reapply.	Ex parte functionality is planned as part of Integrated Eligibility (IE). The State is in early stages of the procurement phase. The goal is to have this functionality implemented by December 31, 2017. A final schedule will be developed upon completion of procurement.
	42 CFR §435.916 (b) provides states with the option to send non-MAGI beneficiaries a prepopulated form if necessary, and provide the beneficiary at least 30 days to respond and provide necessary information.	Pre-populated renewal forms (optional for MABD population) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Online Phone Mail In person Number of days to return renewal form	VT has not implemented the pre-populated renewal form option. Beneficiaries must complete a new application at renewal on paper or by phone. Beneficiaries are allowed at least 45 days to return the application. Beneficiaries are terminated for not responding timely and are provided notice and fair hearing rights.	None required for use of pre-populated forms for MABD populations.	Pre-populated form for non-MAGI renewals will be considered during IE implementation.