

Disabled Adult Children (§1634 DAC)



Eligibility Group Requirements*: An individual who was receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits and meets the following:

- Is at least 18 years of age;
- Has blindness or a disability which began before the age of 22;
- Has been receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) based on blindness or disability; and
- Has lost Supplemental Security Income (SSI) due to the receipt of Social Security benefits on a parent's record due to the retirement, death or disability of a parent.

*If an individual meets all of the above criteria, they may qualify as a Disabled Adult Child under Section 1634 of the Social Security Act (regarding DAC). This designation comes from the Social Security Administration. Eligibility for Medicaid may continue as long as the person is determined blind or disabled. However, if the person receives income from another source or exceeds the resource limits, they may become ineligible for Medicaid coverage.

What should an individual do if they lose their SSI benefits and Medicaid coverage because they are now receiving Social Security Disabled Adult Child (DAC) benefits, resulting in their income exceeding the SSI income limit?

The individual should have received a letter from the Social Security Administration (SSA) verifying that he/she may continue to be eligible for Medicaid coverage under this eligibility group (§1634 DAC). If the individual did not receive or no longer has this letter, contact the Social Security Administration at 1-800-772-1213 (Monday-Friday from 7am-7pm) to request a Benefit Award letter verifying Social Security benefits as a Disabled Adult Child or Disabled Dependent Child who received SSI in the past.





To obtain Medicaid Eligibility for individuals expected to be enrolled in the Community Care Program (CCP):

Individuals must complete and submit the Medicaid Only-Community Care Program Application that is sent to them. They also must submit all necessary documents, including the letter from the SSA verifying that the individual may be eligible for DAC status for consideration of Medicaid eligibility under Section 1634 of the Social Security Act (regarding DAC).

To obtain Medicaid Eligibility for individuals expected to be enrolled in the Supports Program:

Individuals must complete the [NJ FamilyCare Aged, Blind, Disabled \(ABD\) Medicaid Application](#). They must submit the completed ABD Application and all necessary documents to the County Welfare Agency, including the letter from the SSA verifying that the individual may be eligible for DAC status for consideration of Medicaid eligibility under Section 1634 of the Social Security Act (regarding DAC). The ABD Application is available at:

www.nj.gov/humanservices/dmahs/clients/medicaid/abd/ABD_Application_Booklet.pdf



If you have questions, or if you have difficulty obtaining Medicaid for an individual who may be eligible for §1634 DAC status, please contact your support coordinator or send an email to DDD's Medicaid Eligibility Help Desk: DDD.MediEligHelpdesk@dhs.nj.gov