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CLARIFICATION

Federal Poverty Levels for MAGI-based Medicaid Eligibility

Policy Summary:

Eligibility for Medicaid categories based on modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) is determined using current year federal poverty levels (FPLs) as of April 1 of a given year. [Federal poverty guidelines](#) are generally published by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) during the first quarter of the calendar year. This policy clarifies that Vermont will implement those levels for use in MAGI-based Medicaid eligibility determinations as of April 1 of the same year.

Effective Date:

This policy has been in effect since 2015.

Authority/Legal Basis:

[Medicaid State Plan](#)

42 CFR §435.603 Application of modified adjusted gross income (MAGI)

Population Affected:

MAGI-based Medicaid

Fiscal Impact:

No fiscal impact.

Additional information:

[HHS Poverty Guidelines for 2017](#) can be found at this link.

For information about FPLs for other programs, please see Attachment 2.6-A, Supplement 8a of the [Medicaid State Plan](#).