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SYNOPSIS

Requires DHS to conduct annual Medicaid eligibility redeterminations.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Human Services Committee on June 9, 2022, with amendments.



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1 **AN ACT** providing for annual Medicaid eligibility redeterminations and supplementing Title 30 of the Revised Statutes.

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BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

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- 1. a. As used in this section:
- "Beneficiary" means an individual eligible for medical assistance through ¹[the]¹ Medicaid ¹[program established pursuant to P.L.1968, c.413 (C.30:4D-1 et seq.)]¹ or ¹[the]¹ NJ FamilyCare ¹[program, established pursuant to P.L.2005, c.156 (C.30:4J-8 et al.)]¹.
- "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Human Services.
- "Division" means the Division of Medical Assistance and HealthServices in the Department of Human Services.
 - "Eligibility redetermination" means the administrative process by which the division or a county welfare agency reviews a beneficiary's income, financial resources, and circumstances relating to the beneficiary's application for continuation of benefits received under '[the]' Medicaid or '[the]' NJ FamilyCare '[programs]'.
- 1"Medicaid" means the Medicaid program established pursuant to P.L.1968, c.413 (C.30:4D-1 et seq.).
 - "NJ FamilyCare" means the NJ FamilyCare program established pursuant to P.L.2005, c.156 (C.30:4J-8 et al.).
 - b. The division or a county welfare agency shall conduct an eligibility redetermination for a beneficiary no less than 365 days following the date of the beneficiary's initial enrollment ${}^{1}\underline{\text{in}}{}^{1}$, or the date of the beneficiary's last eligibility redetermination ${}^{1}\underline{\text{for}}{}^{1}$, ${}^{1}\underline{\text{lin}}{}^{1}$ Medicaid ${}^{1}\underline{\text{lin}}{}^{1}$ program, established pursuant to P.L.1968, c.413 (C.30:4D-1 et seq.), $\underline{\text{lin}}{}^{1}$ or ${}^{1}\underline{\text{lin}}{}^{1}$ NJ FamilyCare ${}^{1}\underline{\text{lin}}{}^{1}$ program,
- 31 (C.30:4D-1 et seq.), I or I [the] NJ FamilyCare I [program, 32 established pursuant to P.L.2005, c.156 (C.30:4J-8 et al.)] The 33 commissioner shall determine the means and method by which an
- 34 eligibility redetermination shall be conducted.
- ¹[The] To the extent permitted under federal law and 35 regulation, the 1 commissioner shall provide for 12 months of 36 37 continuous Medicaid eligibility ¹[, without imposing any reporting requirements regarding changes of income or resources, 1 for adult 38 eligibility groups ¹[,] without imposing any reporting requirements 39 regarding changes of income or resources and 1 regardless of the 40 delivery system through which the beneficiary receives benefits 41 42 ¹ [and to the extent permitted under federal law and regulation]¹.
- d. The commissioner shall apply for such State plan amendments or waivers as may be necessary to implement the

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

¹Assembly AHU committee amendments adopted June 9, 2022.

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2. The Commissioner of Human Services shall adopt rules and regulations pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act" P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.) to effectuate the purposes of this act.

3. This act shall take effect on the first day of the ¹first full¹ month ¹next¹ following the expiration of the federal public health emergency declared in response to the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic, except that the ¹[commissioner] Commissioner of Human Services¹ may take any anticipatory administrative action in advance thereof as may be necessary for the implementation of this act.