
MAO COVERAGE GROUPS/CRITERIA FOR THE AGED & DISABLED

MAO LONG TERM CARE "AT-HOME" COVERAGE GROUPS

**G. BREAST AND
CERVICAL
GROUP**

State legislation passed during the 2001 session contained provisions for Medicaid to provide coverage for women diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer.

1. Eligibility

Effective July 1, 2001, in order to be eligible for this coverage

Criteria

group, an individual must meet the following criteria:

- Be a woman under the age of 65
- Have no other creditable health insurance
- Have household income under 250% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Have been screened for breast and cervical cancer by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Prevention's Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program.

The State Department of Health (SDH) has the responsibility for the screening program; however, they may contract with outside providers to perform the actual screening.

The eligibility input will take place at the State Office (SO) level. The SDH will fax information to the State Office (SO) of the Eligibility Bureau confirming a cancer diagnosis for a woman who has been screened through the CDC program. Eligibility will be placed on file immediately and the woman will be eligible for full service Medicaid for the course of her treatment or until she reaches 65 and becomes Medicare eligible.