

MISSISSIPPI DIVISION OF MEDICAID

Eligibility Policy and Procedures Manual

310.01 GENERAL VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Generally, resources must be verified for any month for which you must determine eligibility. For the following types of action, verify as follows:

Applications

Specifically, for initial applications, verify the value of resources for the month of application and each month(s) of possible retroactive eligibility. Verify months subsequent to the month of application as necessary.

Redeterminations

For redeterminations, verify, as needed, the value of resources for up to 3 months prior to the review month. It is permissible for resources to be developed as of the most recent month for which verification is available for regular reviews, rather than requiring resource balances for the review month.

Appeals

If a client appeals a denial related to a particular resource, the evidence in the file must clearly establish the value of that resource. If must do so even if the issue under appeal is not the value itself (e.g., when the issue under appeal is ownership). This requirement ensures that at each level in the appeals process, the file contains complete documentation of the resource in question.

310.01.01 EXCEPTIONS TO GENERAL VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Do not verify the value of resources for a given month if:

- The resource is totally excluded, regardless of its value;
- The alleged value of total countable resources exceed the applicable limit for that month; or
- The individual is ineligible that month for reasons other than excess resources