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SUBJECT: 'OTHER HEALTH INSURANCE' REPORTING

The Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP-formerly entitled SCHIP) does not allow applicants/recipients to have other health insurance. The Department is required to report to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) numbers of those applicants/recipients who do not qualify for CHIP due to other insurance. Due to this requirement, it is important that ISD workers properly note those applicants/recipients who have other health insurance with a value of "7" (has insurance) in the AMS field on the FMM2 screen (sample of screen print attached). Notation of other health insurance should be made during registration of new applicants, re-certifications or when changes are reported. If increased income is reported and recipients change from Children's Medicaid to CHIP, ISD workers should examine the existence of other health insurance and properly annotate cases.

To be determined ineligible because of other health insurance, the applicant/recipient must have "creditable" health insurance coverage. Creditable insurance is defined as a policy that covers basic services including: ER, Inpatient, Outpatient, Laboratory, and X-Ray services. If applicants/recipients are covered under a vision or dental services policy only, they are not considered to have "creditable" health insurance coverage.

If the CHIP case is closed/denied for other insurance, the worker shall determine eligibility for other categories such as Regular Medicaid 032, or JUL Medicaid 072.

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