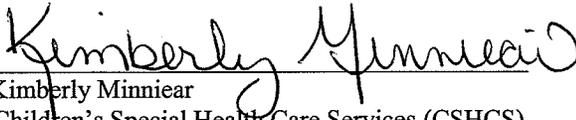


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Administrative Policy Manual**

Eligibility – Medical Eligibility Policy #B-3b


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Title: **Medical Eligibility Determination for Adding Diagnoses or Medical Conditions**

Purpose: To ensure that the CSHCS program fairly & consistently assesses participants for the eligible medical conditions defined in the Rules for Medical Eligibility in the CSHCS program:

To utilize review mechanism which

- Balances the requirement to obtain adequate medical documentation.
- Minimizes the burden or hardship upon the application/participant or their parent/guardian.
- Focuses upon the evident need for services of the application/participant.

Rule References:

410 IAC 3.2-1-28 – “Processing and application” defined

410 IAC 3.2-2-5 - State Department of Health responsibilities in the application process

410 IAC 3.2-5-2 – Family responsibility to disclose information

410 IAC 3.2-6-2 – Medical eligibility

IC 16-35-2-9 – Cystic fibrosis; services extended to afflicted persons.

IC 16-35-2-10 – Autistic children

Policy: To determine a participant's Medical Eligibility for additional diagnosis or medical conditions based upon current information concerning the

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medical diagnosis categories eligible for the CSHCS program and from current medical information concerning the application/participant.

Eligibility Definition:

1. **Medical Eligibility** is based upon the medical conditions detailed in the following references:
 - 410 IAC 3.2-6.2 – Medical eligibility
 - IC 16-35-2-9 – Cystic fibrosis; services extended to afflicted persons across age spectrum.
 - IC 16-35-2-10 – Autistic children
2. For a participant to be **Medically Eligible** for an additional diagnosis to be added, the participant must be under the age of twenty-one (21) years of age and have a medically eligible condition that has lasted or is expected to last over two (2) years in duration, which if not treated, will require health care services which exceed recommendations of the **American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)** for a child of that age
3. Additionally, the physical condition, if not treated, may produce disability, disfigurement, limitation of function, need for a special diet or dependence on an assistive device, or non-intervention, will within one year, lead to a chronic disabling physical condition.