



Eligibility Operations Memo 13-03
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TO: MassHealth Eligibility Operations Staff

FROM: Amy Andrade, Director, Member and Provider Services

RE: **Identity Verification Required for Health Safety Net Applicants and Members**

Introduction

As a result of the implementation of the Cost Containment Bill (Chapter 224 of the Acts of 2012), verification of identity is now a requirement for Health Safety Net (HSN).

MA21 Changes

Starting February 2013, individuals who do not provide proof of identity within the verification time frame will be denied or terminated.

MA21 will terminate eligibility with action reason 40 (failure to provide requested verification).

Noncitizens who do not verify identity will continue to receive MassHealth Limited benefits if otherwise eligible.

Noticing

The resulting denial and termination notices will inform applicants and members that they are not eligible for MassHealth, Commonwealth Care, or Health Safety Net.

Questions

If you have any questions about this memo, please have your MEC designee contact the Policy Hotline.
