CATEGORICAL FACTORS

SINGLES/CHILDLESS COUPLES (S/CC)

Policy:

Persons between the ages of 21 and 65 who are not living with their child under the age of 21 and do not meet the requirements for any other category of assistance must meet all the Singles/Childless Couples (S/CC) categorical requirements in order to be eligible for coverage under Medicaid.

References:

SSL Sect. 366.1(a)

Dept. Reg.

360-1.2 360-1.3 360-3.3

ADMs

97 ADM-21 97 ADM-23 OMM/ADM 97-2

Interpretation:

When an A/R is not related to any other category for Medicaid, eligibility is determined in accordance with S/CC policy. If the A/R is ineligible using the S/CC budgeting methodologies, eligibility must be considered under Family Health Plus and Family Planning Benefit Program as appropriate.

NOTE: Parents living with their child over the age of 21 are considered a childless couple for S/CC budgeting purposes.

Disposition:

The income and resources of S/CC A/Rs are compared to the Medicaid Standard and Resource Levels. (See **REFERENCE** <u>MEDICALLY NEEDY INCOME LEVELS and FEDERAL</u> POVERTY LEVELS and MEDICAID RESOURCE LEVELS)

If a person's income and resources are determined to be below the S/CC levels, s/he is so informed. If s/he desires cash assistance, an appropriate referral is made to Public Assistance.