

# **AUTOMATED FAMILY-RELATED MEDICAID RENEWAL PROCESS**

# **Important Facts**

When the ACCESS Medicaid Eligibility System (MES) Release 2 goes live in November 2014, **some** Family-Related Medicaid Renewals will be completed automatically by the system, without customer or worker involvement.

### What is changing?

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) requires that the Department attempt to renew benefits for Family-Related Medicaid automatically by using information that is available through existing electronic data sources. Only when this automated redetermination cannot be completed will the current renewal process be used for these cases.

 During the 10<sup>th</sup> month of the eligibility period, the system will automatically start the renewal process by attempting to perform an electronic data match.

Successful Data Match	Unsuccessful Data Match
If the electronic data match is successful and benefits can be renewed	If the electronic data match is unsuccessful or benefits cannot be renewed
The system will update FLORIDA, extend the eligibility period for twelve months, and generate a notice to the recipient	The current process will occur; the recipient will be notified to complete an online renewal and will be given a timeframe in which to do so

- If the recipient who receives an online renewal notice does not submit the renewal within the eligibility period, benefits will be automatically closed and a notice generated advising them they have **90 days** to complete their renewal without having to submit a new application. They will be instructed to log in to their MyACCESS Account to complete their renewal.
- If the customer completes the renewal within **90 days** of closure, the Department will process the renewal and automatically provide benefits back to the effective date of closure.

### What is NOT changing?

If the case contains other benefits (Food or Cash Assistance, etc.) and the automated renewal for Family-Related Medicaid is successful, the customer will still be required to complete a renewal for the other programs just as they did prior to November 2014. The eligibility criteria are not changing and the process for Family-Related Medicaid eligibility renewals is not changing for those cases that do not complete the automated renewal process.

## Important Date

November 10<sup>th</sup> ACCESS Medicaid Eligibility System Release 2 Go-Live (Changes Take Effect)

Version 1: August 2014

# WP Changes: Family-Related Medicaid Reviews

DCF must comply with ACA requirements for Family-Related Medicaid reviews

