XIX of the Social Security Act [this subchapter], and shall include in such study recommendations regarding appropriate minimum ratios."

NURSE AIDE TRAINING AND COMPETENCY EVALUATION; SATISFACTION OF REQUIREMENTS; WAIVER

For satisfaction of training and competency evaluation requirements of subsec. (b)(5)(A) of this section and section 1395i–3(b)(5)(A) of this title and authorization for a State to waive such competency evaluation requirements, see section 6901(b)(4)(B)–(D) of Pub. L. 101–239, set out as a note under section 1395i–3 of this title.

PUBLICATION OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS RESPECTING PREADMISSION SCREENING AND ANNUAL RESIDENT REVIEW

Section 6901(c) of Pub. L. 101–239 provided that: "The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall issue proposed regulations to establish the criteria described in section 1919(f)(8)(A) of the Social Security Act [subsec. (f)(8)(A) of this section] by not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 19, 1989]."

#### EVALUATION AND REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF RESIDENT ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Section 4211(c) of Pub. L. 100-203 directed Secretary of Health and Human Services to evaluate and report to Congress by not later than Jan. 1, 1993, on implementation of resident assessment process for residents of nursing facilities under amendments made by section 4211(c).

#### REPORT ON STAFFING REQUIREMENTS

Section 4211(k) of Pub. L. 100-203 directed Secretary of Health and Human Services to report to Congress, by not later than Jan. 1, 1993, on progress made in implementing the nursing facility staffing requirements of 42 U.S.C. 1396r(b)(4)(C), including the number and types of waivers approved under subparagraph (C)(ii) of such section and the number of facilities which received waivers.

# ANNUAL REPORT ON STATUTORY COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

Section 4215 of Pub. L. 100–203, as amended by Pub. L. 101–508, title IV, §4801(b)(5)(B), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388–214, provided that: "The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall report to the Congress annually on the extent to which nursing facilities are complying with the requirements of subsections (b), (c), and (d) of section 1919 of the Social Security Act [subsecs. (b), (c), and (d) of this section] (as added by the amendments made by this part) and the number and type of enforcement actions taken by States and the Secretary under section 1919(h) of such Act (as added by section 4213 of this Act). Each such report shall also include a summary of the information reported by States under section 1919(e)(7)(C)(iv) of such Act."

## SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 1395i–3, 1395*l*, 1395*x*, 1396a, 1396b, 1396d, 1396*l*, 1396n, 1396r–8, 1396t, 3002 of this title; title 25 section 1680*l*; title 38 sections 3675, 5503.

# § 1396r-1. Presumptive eligibility for pregnant women

## (a) Ambulatory prenatal care

A State plan approved under section 1396a of this title may provide for making ambulatory prenatal care available to a pregnant woman during a presumptive eligibility period.

## (b) Definitions

For purposes of this section—

- (1) the term "presumptive eligibility period" means, with respect to a pregnant woman, the period that—
  - (A) begins with the date on which a qualified provider determines, on the basis of preliminary information, that the family income of the woman does not exceed the applicable income level of eligibility under the State plan, and
  - (B) ends with (and includes) the earlier of—  $\,$
  - (i) the day on which a determination is made with respect to the eligibility of the woman for medical assistance under the State plan, or
  - (ii) in the case of a woman who does not file an application by the last day of the month following the month during which the provider makes the determination referred to in subparagraph (A), such last day; and
- (2) the term "qualified provider" means any provider that—
  - (A) is eligible for payments under a State plan approved under this subchapter,
- (B) provides services of the type described in subparagraph (A) or (B) of section 1396d(a)(2) of this title or in section 1396d(a)(9) of this title.
- (C) is determined by the State agency to be capable of making determinations of the type described in paragraph (1)(A), and
  - (D)(i) receives funds under—
    - (I) section 254b or 254c of this title,
    - (II) subchapter V of this chapter, or
  - (III) title V of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act [25 U.S.C. 1651 et seq.];
- (ii) participates in a program established under—
  - (I) section 1786 of this title, or
  - (II) section 4(a) of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973;
- (iii) participates in a State perinatal program; or
- (iv) is the Indian Health Service or is a health program or facility operated by a tribe or tribal organization under the Indian Self-Determination Act (Public Law 93–638) [25 U.S.C. 450f et seq.].

# (c) Duties of State agency, qualified providers, and presumptively eligible pregnant women

- (1) The State agency shall provide qualified providers with—
- (A) such forms as are necessary for a pregnant woman to make application for medical assistance under the State plan, and
- (B) information on how to assist such women in completing and filing such forms.
- (2) A qualified provider that determines under subsection (b)(1)(A) of this section that a pregnant woman is presumptively eligible for medical assistance under a State plan shall—
  - (A) notify the State agency of the determination within 5 working days after the date on which determination is made, and
  - (B) inform the woman at the time the determination is made that she is required to make application for medical assistance under the State plan by not later than the last day of

the month following the month during which the determination is made.

(3) A pregnant woman who is determined by a qualified provider to be presumptively eligible for medical assistance under a State plan shall make application for medical assistance under such plan by not later than the last day of the month following the month during which the determination is made, which application may be the application used for the receipt of medical assistance by individuals described in section 1396a(l)(1)(A) of this title.

# (d) Ambulatory prenatal care as medical assistance

Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter, ambulatory prenatal care that—

- (1) is furnished to a pregnant woman—
  - (A) during a presumptive eligibility period,
- (B) by a provider that is eligible for payments under the State plan; and
- (2) is included in the care and services covered by a State plan;

shall be treated as medical assistance provided by such plan for purposes of section 1396b of this title.

(Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XIX,  $\S1920$ , as added Pub. L. 99–509, title IX,  $\S9407(b)$ , Oct. 21, 1986, 100 Stat. 2058; amended Pub. L. 100–360, title IV,  $\S411(k)(16)(A)$ , (B), July 1, 1988, 102 Stat. 799; Pub. L. 100–485, title VI,  $\S608(d)(26)(L)$ , Oct. 13, 1988, 102 Stat. 2422; Pub. L. 101–508, title IV,  $\S4605(a)$ , (b), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388–169; Pub. L. 106–113, div. B,  $\S1000(a)(6)$  [title VI,  $\S608(q)$ ], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1536, 1501A–397.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Indian Health Care Improvement Act, referred to in subsec. (b)(2)(D)(i)(III), is Pub. L. 94–437, Sept. 30, 1976, 90 Stat. 1400, as amended. Title V of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act is classified generally to subchapter IV (§1651 et seq.) of chapter 18 of Title 25, Indians. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1601 of Title 25 and Tables.

Section 4(a) of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973, referred to in subsec. (b)(2)(D)(ii)(II), is section 4(a) of Pub. L. 93–86, Aug. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 249, as amended, which is set out as a note under section 612c of Title 7, Agriculture.

The Indian Self-Determination Act (Public Law 93–638), referred to in subsec. (b)(2)(D)(iv), is title I of Pub. L. 93–638, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2206, as amended, which is classified principally to part A (§ 450f et seq.) of subchapter II of chapter 14 of Title 25, Indians. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 450 of Title 25 and Tables.

# PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 1920 of act Aug. 14, 1935, was renumbered section 1928 and is classified to section 1396s of this title.

## AMENDMENTS

1999—Subsec. (b)(2)(D)(i)(I). Pub. L. 106–113 substituted "section 254b or 254c of this title," for "section 254b, 254c, or 256 of this title,".

1990—Subsec. (b)(1)(B). Pub. L. 101–508, §4605(a)(1), inserted "or" at end of cl. (i), redesignated cl. (iii) as (ii) and amended it generally, and struck out former cl. (ii). Prior to amendment, cls. (ii) and (iii) read as follows:

"(ii) the day that is 45 days after the date on which the provider makes the determination referred to in subparagraph (A), or

"(iii) in the case of a woman who does not file an application for medical assistance within 14 calendar days after the date on which the provider makes the determination referred to in subparagraph (A), the four-teenth calendar day after such determination is made; and"

Subsec. (c)(2)(B). Pub. L. 101–508,  $\S4605(a)(2)$ , substituted "by not later than the last day of the month following the month during which" for "within 14 calendar days after the date on which".

Subsec. (c)(3). Pub. L. 101–508, §4605(b), inserted before period at end ", which application may be the application used for the receipt of medical assistance by individuals described in section 1396a(l)(1)(A) of this title".

Pub. L. 101-508, §4605(a)(2), substituted "by not later than the last day of the month following the month during which" for "within 14 calendar days after the date on which".

1988—Subsec. (b)(2)(D)(i). Pub. L. 100–360,  $\S411(k)(16)(B)(i)$ , substituted "section 254b, 254c, or 256 of this title," for "section 254b of this title or section 254c of this title, or" in subcl. (I), substituted "chapter," or "chapter," in subcl. (II), and added subcl. (III).

Subsec. (b)(2)(D)(iii). Pub. L. 100-360, §411(k)(16)(B)(iii), as added by Pub. L. 100-485, §608(d)(26)(L)(iii), substituted "program; or" for "program."

Subsec. (b)(2)(D)(iv). Pub. L. 100-360, \$411(k)(16)(B)(iv), formerly \$411(k)(16)(B)(iii), as redesignated by Pub. L. 100-485, \$608(d)(26)(L)(ii), added cl. (iv).

Subsec. (d)(1)(B). Pub. L. 100–360, §411(k)(16)(A), substituted "by a provider that is eligible for payments under the State plan" for "by a qualified provider".

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Section 4605(c) of Pub. L. 101-508 provided that:

"(1) The amendments made by subsection (a) [amending this section] apply to payments under title XIX of the Social Security Act [this subchapter] for calendar quarters beginning on or after July 1, 1991, without regard to whether or not final regulations to carry out such amendments have been promulgated by such date.

"(2) The amendment made by subsection (b) [amending this section] shall be effective as if included in the enactment of section 9407(b) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1986 [Pub. L. 99–509, enacting this section]."

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENTS

Amendment by Pub. L. 100–485 effective as if included in the enactment of the Medicare Catastrophic Coverage Act of 1988, Pub. L. 100–360, see section 608(g)(1) of Pub. L. 100–485, set out as a note under section 704 of this title.

Section 411(k)(16)(C) of Pub. L. 100-360 provided that: "The amendments made by this paragraph [amending this section] shall be effective as if they were included in section 9407(b) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1986 [Pub. L. 99-509]."

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section applicable to ambulatory prenatal care furnished in calendar quarters beginning on or after Apr. 1, 1987, without regard to whether or not final regulations to carry out such section have been promulgated, see section 9407(d) of Pub. L. 99–509, set out as an Effective Date of 1986 Amendment note under section 1396a of this title.

# SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 1396a, 1396b of this title.

# § 1396r–1a. Presumptive eligibility for children (a) In general

A State plan approved under section 1396a of this title may provide for making medical assistance with respect to health care items and services covered under the State plan available to a child during a presumptive eligibility period.

#### (b) Definitions; regulations

For purposes of this section:

- (1) The term "child" means an individual under 19 years of age.
- (2) The term "presumptive eligibility period" means, with respect to a child, the period that—
- (A) begins with the date on which a qualified entity determines, on the basis of preliminary information, that the family income of the child does not exceed the applicable income level of eligibility under the State plan, and
- (B) ends with (and includes) the earlier
- (i) the day on which a determination is made with respect to the eligibility of the child for medical assistance under the State plan, or
- (ii) in the case of a child on whose behalf an application is not filed by the last day of the month following the month during which the entity makes the determination referred to in subparagraph (A), such last day.
- (3)(A) Subject to subparagraph (B), the term "qualified entity" means any entity that—

(i)(I) is eligible for payments under a State plan approved under this subchapter and provides items and services described in subsection (a) of this section, (II) is authorized to determine eligibility of a child to participate in a Head Start program under the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9831 et seq.), eligibility of a child to receive child care services for which financial assistance is provided under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 9858 et seq.), eligibility of an infant or child to receive assistance under the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children (WIC) under section 1786 of this title 1 eligibility of a child for medical assistance under the State plan under this subchapter, or eligibility of a child for child health assistance under the program funded under subchapter XXI of this chapter, (III) is an elementary school or secondary school, as such terms are defined in section 8801 of title 20,2 an elementary or secondary school operated or supported by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, a State or tribal child support enforcement agency, an organization that is providing emergency food and shelter under a grant under the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act<sup>2</sup> [42 U.S.C. 11301 et seq.], or a State or tribal office or entity involved in enrollment in the program under

- this subchapter, under part A of subchapter IV of this chapter, under subchapter XXI of this chapter, or that determines eligibility for any assistance or benefits provided under any program of public or assisted housing that receives Federal funds, including the program under section 8 [42 U.S.C. 1437f] or any other section of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.) or under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4101 et seq.), or (IV) any other entity the State so deems, as approved by the Secretary; and
- (ii) is determined by the State agency to be capable of making determinations of the type described in paragraph (2).
- (B) The Secretary may issue regulations further limiting those entities that may become qualified entities in order to prevent fraud and abuse and for other reasons.
- (C) Nothing in this section shall be construed as preventing a State from limiting the classes of entities that may become qualified entities, consistent with any limitations imposed under subparagraph (B).

# (c) Application for medical assistance; procedure upon determination of presumptive eligibility

- (1) The State agency shall provide qualified entities with—
- (A) such forms as are necessary for an application to be made on behalf of a child for medical assistance under the State plan, and
- (B) information on how to assist parents, guardians, and other persons in completing and filing such forms.
- (2) A qualified entity that determines under subsection (b)(2) of this section that a child is presumptively eligible for medical assistance under a State plan shall—
  - (A) notify the State agency of the determination within 5 working days after the date on which determination is made, and
  - (B) inform the parent or custodian of the child at the time the determination is made that an application for medical assistance under the State plan is required to be made by not later than the last day of the month following the month during which the determination is made.
- (3) In the case of a child who is determined by a qualified entity to be presumptively eligible for medical assistance under a State plan, the parent, guardian, or other person shall make application on behalf of the child for medical assistance under such plan by not later than the last day of the month following the month during which the determination is made, which application may be the application used for the receipt of medical assistance by individuals described in section 1396a(l)(1) of this title.

# (d) Treatment of medical assistance

Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter, medical assistance for items and services described in subsection (a) of this section that—

(1) are furnished to a child-

 $<sup>^1\</sup>mathrm{So}$  in original. A comma probably should appear after ''title''.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See References in Text note below.