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Eligibility and consent.

(A) Participation in HMG is voluntary. Each county HMG program shall obtain written consent from eligible individuals prior to any service being provided.

(B) Subject to the availability of funds, the following are eligible for HMG home visiting services:

(1) Infant or toddler who has been involved in a substantiated case of abuse or neglect or who has at least one parent engaged in active military duty; and

(2) The following if the family's income is equal to or less than two hundred per cent of the federal poverty level:

(a) Parent expecting first child;

(b) Infant or toddler who is enrolled before six months of age and is the first born or adopted child in the family.

(C) The following individuals shall be eligible for part C of HMG:

(1) Infant or toddler who has a developmental delay of one and one half standard deviation below the mean in any one area of development using a tool prescribed by the department; and

(2) Infant or toddler who has a diagnosed physical or mental condition determined by the department as having a high probability of resulting in a delay.

Financial eligibility is not a requirement for part C of HMG.

(D) Service coordinators and home visitors shall provide parents a copy of the parent's rights brochure published by the department.

(E) Each county HMG program shall complete the following utilizing the mechanisms prescribed by the department no later than forty-five days after referral of an infant or toddler suspected of being eligible under paragraph (C) of this rule:

(1) A social-emotional development screening;

(2) A vision screening;

(3) A hearing screening;

(4) A nutritional screening;

(5) Evaluation for eligibility (when applicable) and assessment for program planning; and

(6) An individualized family services plan.

(F) For an infant or toddler with a diagnosed physical or mental condition that has a high probability of resulting in a delay, with parent consent, each county HMG program:

(1) Shall complete all sections of the initial IFSP within forty-five days of initial referral; and

(2) May develop an interim IFSP to immediately begin identified needed services prior to the completion of the developmental assessment and IFSP as required in paragraph (E) of this rule.

(G) Each county HMG program shall document and verify eligibility of HMG participants.

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