



1           (1) Low-income families with children are eligible for  
2 Medicaid provided they meet the following requirements:

3           (c) The family's countable income does ~~and resources~~  
4 ~~do~~ not exceed 35 percent of the federal poverty level and  
5 resource standards do not exceed the applicable Aid to  
6 Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) ~~income and~~ resource  
7 standards under the AFDC state plan in effect in July 2006  
8 ~~1996~~, except as amended in the Medicaid state plan to conform  
9 as closely as possible to the requirements of the welfare  
10 transition program, to the extent permitted by federal law.

11           Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 445.029, Florida  
12 Statutes, is amended to read:

13           445.029 Transitional medical benefits.--

14           (1) A family that loses its temporary cash assistance  
15 due to earnings shall remain eligible for Medicaid without  
16 reapplication during the immediately succeeding 24-month  
17 ~~12-month~~ period if private medical insurance is unavailable  
18 from the employer or is unaffordable.

19           (a) The family shall be denied Medicaid during the  
20 24-month ~~12-month~~ period for any month in which the family  
21 does not include a dependent child.

22           (b) The family shall be denied Medicaid if, during the  
23 final ~~second~~ 6 months of the 24-month ~~12-month~~ period, the  
24 family's average gross monthly earnings during the preceding  
25 month exceed 185 percent of the federal poverty level.

26           Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
27 law.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Provides that low-income families with children are eligible for Medicaid if the family's countable income does not exceed 35 percent of the federal poverty level and resource standards do not exceed the applicable standard for Aid to Families with Dependent Children. Extends the time during which a family that has lost temporary cash assistance due to earnings may remain eligible for Medicaid without reapplication if private insurance is unavailable or unaffordable.