

Proving U.S. Citizenship and Identification

October 4, 2006

County Number:

Worker Name:

Case Number:

Phone No.

This letter is to tell you of a new federal law that started July 1, 2006. The new federal law requires the Department of Human Services (DHS) to verify U.S. citizenship and identity (ID) on all U.S. citizens who get Medicaid. At your next review, you will need to provide DHS proof of U.S. citizenship and identity for every citizen in your family who gets Medicaid. You may turn in the proof now or wait until your annual review.

Important: Do not wait for your next review to start getting this information. Since every state must do this, getting birth certificates or other records may take longer than usual. Remember, you must do this for every U.S. citizen in your family who gets Medicaid. **Note:** In most cases, if you were born in the United States you are a U.S. citizen.

Examples of How to Prove U.S. Citizenship and Identity:

Everyone in your home who gets Medicaid will need to turn in proof of citizenship and identity, except people who get Medicare or Supplemental Security Income (SSI). Proof must be an original document.

- **Column A** proves both citizenship and identity.

If you don't have a document from column A, then you will need to provide documents from column B.

- **Column B** requires a document from both Part 1 and Part 2 to meet the new requirement.

Column A	Column B	
Proves both Citizenship & Identity	Part 1	Part 2
	Proves only Citizenship	Proves only Identity
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U.S. Passport, even expired • Certification of Naturalization (Form N-550 or N-570) • Certification of Citizenship (Form N-560 or N-561) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official Birth Certificate • Hospital Birth Record • Other Acceptable Proof of Citizenship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drivers License or ID card from the Department of Transportation • School Photo ID • Day Care or Nursery School ID (for children) • Military ID or Dependent Card • Other Acceptable Proof of ID

If you would like to send proof of U.S. citizenship and identity now, please send it back with this letter in the enclosed envelope. **Fold this letter so the DHS address appears in the window of the return envelope.** The Medicaid you receive now will not be affected if you choose to wait to send this information at your annual review.

If you need a birth certificate, the enclosed letter has a state-by-state list of phone numbers to call.

Questions or Need Help? Call our toll-free number 1-877-937-3663, contact your worker, or visit the website at www.dhs.state.ia.us/citizen

Si necesita esto en español, contacte a su trabajador.