



Policy Directive 2022-07-01

Title: Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees

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Program(s) impacted: All Medical Programs

In response to Russia's war on Ukraine, certain Ukrainian nationals are being granted humanitarian parole by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) through the Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act signed into law on May 21, 2022. These individuals (i.e. Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees, or UHPs) who parole into the U.S. between February 24, 2022 and September 30, 2023 are eligible to apply for mainstream benefits including medical assistance until the end of their parole term and may be determined eligible for Medicaid and CHIP to the same extent as a refugee, meaning they are not subject to the 5-year waiting period. We anticipate that many of these individuals will be working with the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) to obtain access to benefits.

At this time, staff should be aware of the special provision for Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees and to ensure they are not denied in error for failure to meet the 5-year bar. VLP should be run on documents as usual; however, if an error is received, a manual SAVE will need to be completed by KDHE. If the Code of Admissions (COA) returned is either DT, U4U, UHP, or C11, they are a member of this group and may be approved to the same extent as a refugee if they meet all other eligibility requirements. The KEES User Manual WA593 (Workaround for Afghan Evacuees) is being updated to include this population.

For those who paroled into the U.S. on or after February 24, 2022, the first date of eligibility can be no earlier than that date. In a situation where the applicant will qualify for coverage in the month of February, these will need to be sent to KDHE.MedicaidEligibilityPolicy@ks.gov for special handling.

Note: An SSN or proof of application for an SSN is still required prior to granting coverage with the exception of good cause, see KFMAM 2032 and 2033 or Medical KEESM 2132 and 2133.

For questions or concerns related to this document, please contact the KDHE Medical Policy Staff at KDHE.MedicaidEligibilityPolicy@ks.gov.

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