CHAPTER 8-001 SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

8-001.01 Requirement of a Social Security Number: Each applicant for or recipient of Medicaid is required, as a condition of eligibility, to:

1. Furnish DHHS with their Social Security number (SSN); or
2. Apply for an SSN if one has not been issued or is not known.

The SSN, in conjunction with other information, provides evidence of identity of the individual.

8-001.02 Application for an SSN: If a client has not applied within 30 days of the date s/he applied for Medicaid, the client must not be included in determining the size of the assistance unit.

8-001.03 Assistance Pending Verification: An individual who has applied for an SSN shall be provided a Medicaid identification number in lieu of an SSN. After the client has been referred to SSA, if s/he is otherwise eligible, assistance shall not be delayed, denied, or discontinued pending the verification or assignment of an SSN.

8-001.04 Application for a Newborn: An SSN is not an eligibility requirement through the month the child turns one if Nebraska Medicaid paid for the birth.

8-001.05 Individuals Not Seeking Medicaid: An individual not seeking Medicaid assistance shall not be required to provide or apply for an SSN.