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THE FOLLOWING SERVICES ARE PROVIDED BY THE DIVISION OF WELFARE, DETAILED INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

1. WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY/ TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY FAMILIES (WFNJ / TANF): Provides financial, educational, vocational training, job search services, case management, supports and child support assistance to parents / blood relatives / legal guardians of dependent children under the age of 18, or up to age 21, if in special education. Eligible families must pass a needs test of income / resources. Other factors of eligibility, such as citizenship / 5 year permanent alien residency status, apply. Adults must be willing to cooperate with the agency's attempt at securing child support from an absent parent. There is a work requirement associated with this program. The goal of WFNJ is to enable families to become self-sufficient through employment. There is a 5-year lifetime limit on receipt of assistance through this program. Certain supports may be available to the family if assistance ends due to employment.

# 2. WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY / GENERAL ASSISTANCE (WFNJ / GA):

Provides financial, educational, vocational training, job search services, case management, supports and medical insurance (fee for service Medicaid) to single adults / couples, 18+ without dependent children. Adults may be employable or unable to work due to illness. If the adult is employable, the goal of WFNJ is to enable him / her to become self-sufficient through employment. Individuals must pass a needs test of income / resources. Other factors of eligibility, such as citizenship 5 year permanent alien residency status, apply. There is a work requirement associated with this program. There is a 5 year lifetime limit on receipt of assistance through this program.

## 3. FOOD STAMP PROGRAM:

Helps eligible households supplement their monthly food budget by making available monthly benefits which are to be used for the purchase of food. Benefits are posted monthly to the household's "Families First" account and may be used at authorized food stores. Other factors of eligibility, such as citizenship 5 year permanent residency status (adults only) apply. Undocumented aliens are ineligible to receive assistance from this program. There is a work requirement associated with this program.

# 4. FAMILY CARE (NJ CARE, KidCare):

Provides no cost or low cost comprehensive health insurance coverage for families with dependent children under the age of 19, and pregnant woman. Families must past a needs test of income. Other factors of eligibility, such as citizenship / 5 year permanent alien resident status, apply. Ineligible aliens may be eligible for emergency services. Services are administered through a customer selected health maintenance organization (HMO). Adults who are not pregnant have not been eligible for coverage under this program since September 2001 due to State budget limits. Mail in applications are available for this program by contacting the Division of Welfare. Application services are also available at designated county hospitals and federal qualified health centers. There is no work requirement or cooperation with securing child support form an absent parent associated with this program.

## 5. AFDC BASED MEDICAID:

Provides no cost comprehensive health insurance coverage to parents / blood relatives / legal guardians of children under 18. In order for an adult parent / blood relative / legal guardian to be eligible for assistance, the adult must be willing to cooperate with securing child support from an absent parent. Children may be eligible regardless of the adult's willingness to go this. Families must pass a needs test of income. Other factors of eligibility, such as citizenship / 5 year permanent alien residency status, apply. There is no work requirement associated with this program.

## 6. MEDICAID SPECIAL:

Provides no cost comprehensive health insurance coverage to children under 21. There is no requirement for the child to be residing with a parent / blood relative / legal guardian. Services are administered through a customer selected health maintenance organization (HMO). Applicants must pass a needs test of income. Parental income will be counted if the child is residing with his / her parent. Other factors of eligibility, such as citizenship / 5 year permanent alien residency status, apply. There is no work requirement associated with this program.

#### 7. MEDICAID ONLY:

Provides no cost comprehensive health coverage to persons who are either 65 years of age, blind or disabled, who are residing within the community. Applicants must pass a needs test or resources / income. Other factors of eligibility, such as citizenship / 5 year permanent alien residency status, apply.

## 8. ABD NEW JERSEY CARE:

Provides no cost comprehensive health coverage to persons who are wither 65 years of age, bling or disabled, who are residing within the community. Applicants must pass a needs test of resources / income. Other factors of eligibility, such as citizenship / 5 year permanent alien residency status apply. Institutional (Nursing Home Care) is available through this program to qualified applicants. Program can also pay Medicare deductibles for eligible individuals.

# 9. HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE FOR FOOD STAMP RECIPIENTS:

#### 10. CAP/JACC:

Programs that provide in home services to seniors at risk of placement in a nursing facility, CAP is designed to supplement the assistance an individual receives from his / her natural support network or family, friends and neighbors, as well as from community agencies and volunteer groups. There is a cost share in this program. The amount is based upon income less allowed deductions, JACC service persons are not eligible for Medicaid or Medicaid Waiver Services.

#### 11. MEDICALLY NEEDY PROGRAM:

Provides limited medical insurance to pregnant women, children under 21, or aged / blind or disabled persons who do not qualify for AFDC based Medicaid, Family Care, Medicaid Only, ABD NJ Care, or Institutional Medicaid, Applicants must pass a needs test of resources / income. Unpaid medical bills may be used to "spend down" excess monthly income. Other factors of eligibility, such as citizenship / 5 year permanent alien residency status apply. Institutional (Nursing Home Care) is available through this program to qualified applicants.

# 12. INSTITUTIONAL MEDICAID (NURSING HOME CARE):

Available for individuals whose condition requires a nursing home level of care, and plan to enter / reside in a licensed nursing home facility. If eligible, nursing home costs, less the individual's income, will be paid by Medicaid. Applicants / recipients must pass a needs test of resources and income. Other factors of eligibility, such as citizenship / 5 year permanent alien residency status, apply.

# 13. COMMUNITY CARE PROGRAM FOR THE ELDERLY AND DISABLED (CCPED):

Offers an array of home services to help aged or disabled individuals remain living in the community rather than enter a nursing home. A case manager from a designated agency in Hudson County works with the individual and family to arrange the required services, as well as assuring quality of services. Applicants must pass a needs test of resources / income. Other factors of eligibility, such as citizenship / 5 year permanent alien residency status apply. Required services must cost less than the monthly cost of a nursing home.

# 14. ACCAP (AIDS COMMUNITY CARE ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM):

Provides home and community based Medicaid services to eligible individuals to enable continued residence in the community, rather than in a long-term care facility or hospital setting. The cost of Medicaid for services provided to an eligible customer cannot be greater than the cost of the appropriate institutional care.

# 15. MODEL WAIVERS, I, II, AND III; TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (TBI):

Provides home and community based services to enable blind or disabled children and adults to remain in the community, or return to the community from institutional placement.

#### 16. ASSISTED LIVING:

Provides an alternative living arrangement to nursing home placement for elderly or disabled individuals. Program availability is allocated per county (slotted). There is currently a waiting list for participation.

# 17. HOMEMAKER SERVICES:

Title XX provides some skilled homemaker care to medically and financially eligible individuals residing independently. The program uses Title XX needs test. The Division of Welfare staff, in conjunction with medical personnel, will evaluate applications and prioritize need.

# 18. CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY:

Working closely with the Hudson County Court system and Probation Department, services are provided to customers in an attempt to locate absent parents, establish paternity, and secure medical and financial child support.

#### 19. ROOMING HOUSE / BOARDING HOME UNIT:

Maintains a current file on all of the above facilities within Hudson County. Location availability of rooms and licensing certification information can be obtained by calling 201-420-3000, selecting Option 1 and then entering extension 2516 between the hours of 8:30 am - 4:15 pm on business days. The unit also advises residents of their rights under the Rooming and Boarding House Act of 1979. Residential Health Care facilities also come under the jurisdiction of this unit.

# 20. ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES:

Social workers respond to any suspected cases of neglect, abuse or exploitation.

# 21. EARLY PERIODIC SCREENING DIAGNOSTIC TREATMENT (ESPSDT):

Free periodic medical and dental examinations / follow up treatment to Medicaid eligible children under 21 years of age.

#### 22. HOMELESS HOTLINE:

# 23. HOUSING SERVICES / SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THE HOMELESS.

## 24. INFORMATION AND REFERRALS:

#### 25. FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS / PROGRAM INTEGRITY:

Investigates allegations of fraud as well as the prosecution and collection in all programs.

#### 26. TITLE XX SOCIAL SERVICES:

# 27. BURIAL ASSISTANCE:

Payment of burial costs for TANF, SSI, GA, and certain Medicaid recipients. Indigent individuals not on public assistance may also be eligible for payment of burial costs.

#### 28. REIMBURSEMENT OF MEDICARE PAYMENTS: