

Medicaid Work Requirements and Caregiver Exemptions

The new [budget and tax law](#) (Public Law 119-21, known as the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA)) includes a universal mandate for each State to implement new work requirements for certain Medicaid enrollees. If enrollees are unable to meet these requirements, their individual Medicaid coverage will end. The law calls for States to implement the work requirements by January 2027, although they can do so earlier if they choose to do so.

Relevance to Title V Programs and Family Leadership Organizations

Many families/caregivers of children with disabilities have questions about how these new work requirements may impact them. Title V programs and family leadership organizations that provide benefits counseling to families, as well as those that are working collaboratively with their State's Medicaid program, will benefit from understanding more about the new work requirements, especially caregiver exemptions.

How to Identify Caregiver Exemption Eligibility

The next page offers a flowchart to help readers understand who the new work requirements apply to and who may be eligible for a caregiver exemption.

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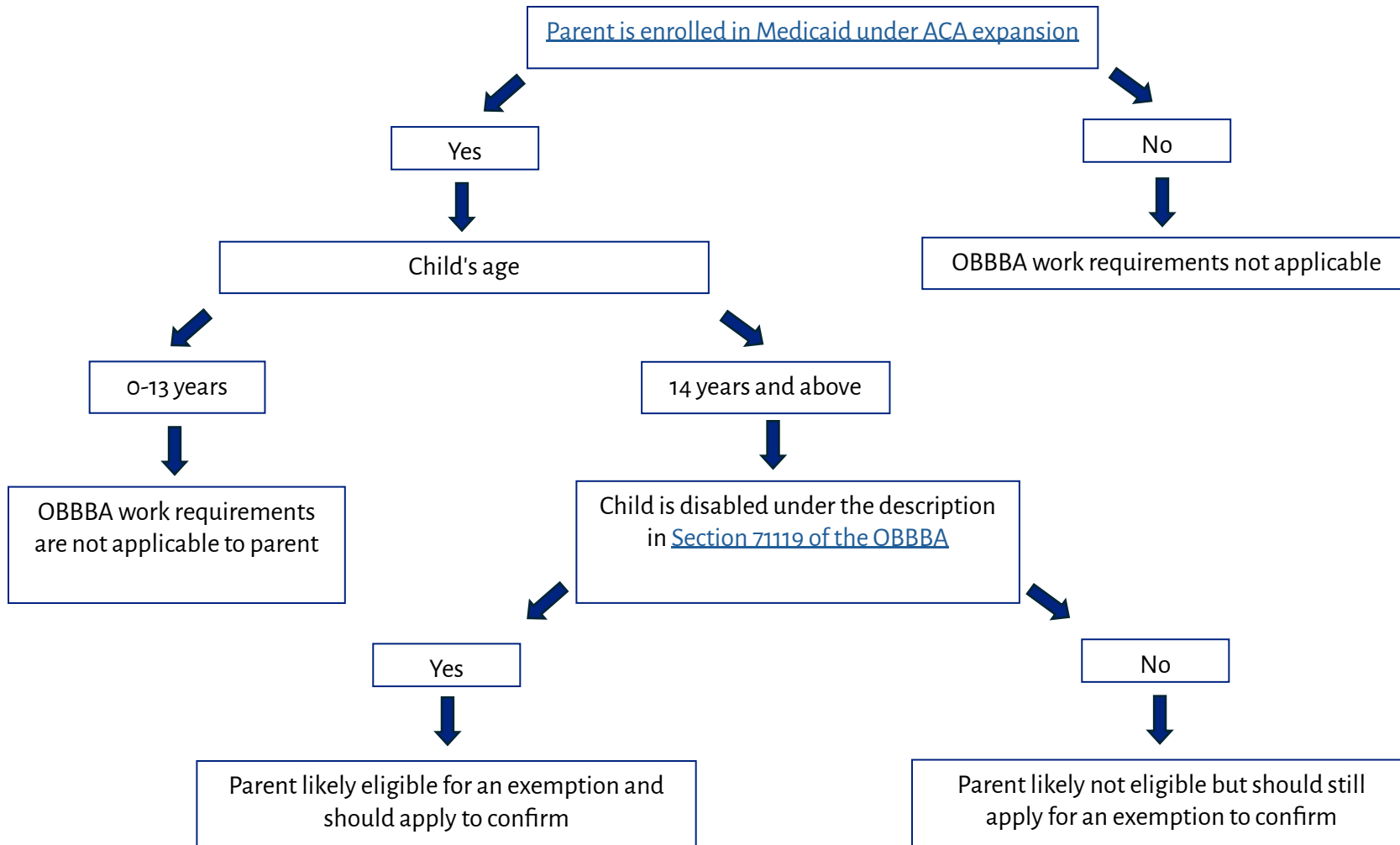


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Q: Families/caregivers I work with are asking me if they could be eligible for an exemption from the new OBBBA work requirements. Is there a tool we can use to think this question through together?

Flowchart for Identifying Caregiver Exemption Eligibility



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