

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I DON'T HAVE ANY OF THESE THINGS?

- Inquire at your local Health & Welfare office about other ways to document your citizenship and prove your identity.
- Tell us why you cannot get documentation, and give us any documents you may have. We may be able to help you.

HOW MUCH TIME DO I HAVE TO SUBMIT THIS DOCUMENTATION TO MEDICAID?

You will be given a reasonable amount of time to provide documentation; "reasonable" is determined on a case-by-case basis. Contact your case worker for more information.



If you have questions, contact the Idaho CareLine at 2-1-1, or the Federal Medicare Hotline at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-926-2588). TTY Users should call 1-877-486-2048.

Information is also available on the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Web site:
<http://www.cms.hhs.gov>



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Providing Documentation of Citizenship for Medicaid



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CHANGE IS IN THE AIR!

In the past, if an individual was enrolled in or applied for Medicaid, that individual had to declare that they were a citizen or national of the United States of America.

The State of Idaho now requires all Medicaid applicants and recipients to provide *proof* not only of their citizenship, but also of their identity in order to comply with new Federal regulations. Read further to find out more.

WHAT CHANGED?

Effective July 1, 2006, Congress passed a new law: Anyone who applies for or currently receives Medicaid must be able to provide the following:

- Documentation that proves they are a U.S. citizen or U.S. national
- Documentation that proves their identity

Individuals enrolled in Medicare, receiving Social Security Supplemental Income (SSI), Social Security Disability Insurance (SSD), or a child in Foster Care, do not have to provide additional documentation.

WHAT KIND OF DOCUMENTATION DO I NEED?

Each document must be an original or a certified copy of the original. You may not use a notarized copy of your document.

You may prove your identity and citizenship with one of the following:

- U.S. Passport
- Certificate of Naturalization (DHS Forms N-550 or N-570)
- Certificate of U.S. Citizenship (DHS Forms N-560 or N-561)

If you do not have any of the items listed above, you will need two documents; one document to prove your identity and one document to prove your citizenship.



You may prove your identity with one of the following:

- Current state driver's license or state identity card complete with photograph
- School identification card
- Federal, state, tribal or local government identification card
- U.S. Military identification card

You may prove you are a citizen with one of the following:

- Birth Certificate
- Report or Certification of Birth Abroad of a U.S. Citizen (Form FS-240 or FS-545)
- U.S. Citizen I.D. Card (DHS Form I-197)
- Adoption papers
- Military records that show your place of birth