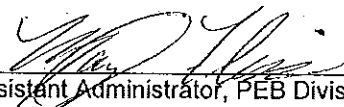


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Title: Certifying eligibility for dependent children with disabilities who are age 26 and older

Policy #36-1

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Purpose

This policy applies whenever a subscriber requests to enroll a dependent child with a disability who is age 26 and older.

Policy

1. A dependent with a disability must meet medical eligibility criteria to be enrolled on a PEGB subscriber account.
 - a. The subscriber's health plan will conduct a medical review to determine whether a dependent meets the medical requirements of a dependent with a disability based on the following:
 - i. The dependent is incapable of self-support.
 - ii. There is medical evidence which supports the disability having occurred prior to the dependent's 26th birthday and having been continuous since it first occurred.
 - b. If a dependent with disabilities changes health plans, the new health plan will conduct a medical review to continue the dependent's disability certification.
 - c. Dependents who fail the health plan's medical review may appeal to the health plan.

2. A subscriber who requests to enroll a dependent with a disability must meet the PEBB Program's eligibility and procedural requirements described in [WAC 182-12-260](#) and [WAC 182-12-262](#).
 - a. The PEBB Program will review the subscriber's enrollment request to determine if the subscriber satisfied the following eligibility and procedural requirements:
 - i. The subscriber provided evidence of the dependent's eligibility described in [WAC 182-12-260](#).
 - ii. The subscriber submitted the enrollment form within the required time frame.
 - b. A subscriber who failed to provide evidence of the dependent's eligibility or failed to satisfy procedural requirements described in [WAC 182-12-262](#) may appeal the denial to the PEBB Appeals Committee by following the process described in chapter 182-16 WAC.