

INSTRUCTIONS
DHS 8005 (07/13)

U.S. CITIZENSHIP OR IDENTIFICATION AFFIDAVIT

Purpose:

The Deficit Reduction Act (DRA) of 2005 enacted on 02/08/06, requires documentary evidence of U.S. citizenship and identity for Medicaid assistance. This form complies with the U.S. citizenship documentation requirement as prescribed under the DRA.

Sections #1, #2 or #3 of this form shall only be used for an individual if U.S. citizenship verification is unavailable through a federal or State electronic service and who is unable to provide acceptable documentary evidence, but the department shall not delay, deny, reduce or terminate assistance for an individual who is otherwise eligible for assistance during the reasonable opportunity period. However, sections #1, #2 or #3 shall not be accepted for documentation of U.S. citizenship for a child under age 16, if section #4 is used for documentation of identity for the same child.

Section #4 shall be used for a child under sixteen (16) years of age when a photo identification is not available to meet the photo identity requirement.

Instructions:

- 1) The individual shall complete this form by checking the appropriate box(es) and provide true and correct information in the applicable sections.
- 2) Sections #1 or #2 shall be completed by an individual to attest that the client is a U.S. citizen who is unable to provide acceptable documentation of U.S. citizenship. The individual who completes any of these two sections must be able to provide proof of their own U.S. citizenship and identity in order for this form to be acceptable.
- 3) Section #3 shall be completed by the client, if the client is a child, the child's parent, guardian, or legal representative to attest why he/she is unable to provide acceptable documentation of their U.S. citizenship.
- 4) Section #4 shall be completed by the parent, guardian or legal representative for a child under age 16 who is unable to provide the necessary documents in compliance with the photo identification requirements of the DRA. The DRA allows a special exception for a child under age 16 to provide a signed photo identification affidavit to meet the photo identity requirement.
- 5) The individual shall print their name clearly and provide contact information on the bottom of this form. The individual must sign, date, attest and certify under penalty of perjury that the information in the affidavit provided is true to the best of their knowledge.
- 6) MQD eligibility staff shall ensure that this form is correctly completed.