

**CATEGORICAL FACTORS  
ADC-RELATED  
DEPRIVATION OF PARENTAL SUPPORT OR CARE**

**Policy:** An A/R is ADC-related when s/he is the caretaker relative of a child under the age of twenty-one (21) and that child is deprived of parental support and/or care. That child is also ADC-related. The A/R must meet all other requirements to be eligible for Medicaid.

**References:**

SSL Sect.	366.1(a)(5)(iii)
Dept. Reg.	360-3.3(b)(5)
ADM	97 ADM-20

**Interpretation:** A child is considered deprived of parental support and/or care when any of the following conditions exist:

- death of a parent;
- physical or mental incapacity of a parent;
- continued absence of a parent; or
- un/underemployed two-parent household.

When there are multiple children in a household, there may be multiple deprivation factors. For example: a woman who has two children from a previous marriage remarries and has two children by the second husband. The second husband is in an accident and becomes incapacitated. The children from the second marriage are considered deprived of parental support because of their father's incapacity. The two children from the mother's previous marriage are deprived of parental support/care because of the absence of their birth father.

It is possible for children in a household to be ADC-related based on different deprivation factors. Using the above example, when the father recovers from his accident, returns to work, and is no longer incapacitated, his children are no longer ADC-related based on incapacity. The other two children, from the woman's previous marriage, continue to be deprived of parental support/care, because their father is absent from the home. The mother and her first two children are ADC-related. The second two children and their father must be evaluated for ADC-relatedness based on un/under employment.

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Deprivation is established for at least one dependent child, in a household, for the caretaker relative to be ADC-related.

When a child is no longer deprived of parental support/care, s/he and his/her caretaker relative remain categorically eligible for ADC-related Medicaid until the end of the third month following the month in which the deprivation ended. This is a categorical extension only. The family must continue to meet all other ADC-related eligibility requirements (See **CATEGORICAL FACTORS ADC-RELATED**). These additional three (3) months of ADC-related categorical eligibility are provided while the household is overcoming the effects of deprivation.

**When to Verify:**

When the A/R indicates the presence of a child in the household and that the child is deprived of parental support and/or care due to the absence, incapacity, death or a two-parent household with a designated principal wage earner.