



# COMBINED MEDICAID 103-6 APPLICATION PROCESSING - Voter Registration

	CMA 103-6
<b>Supersedes:</b>	MA 103-6 (05/01/00); FMA 103-6 (02/01/00)
<b>References:</b>	National Voter's Registration Act of 1993 (NVRA) 42 USC 1973gg, et seq., §13-2-221, MCA
<b>Overview:</b>	<p>The NVRA and § 13-2-221, MCA, require DPHHS to offer the following voter registration assistance to individuals who apply for, recertify or renew public assistance or who notify DPHHS of a change of address:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The opportunity to register to vote to;</li><li>2. Assistance in completing a Montana voter registration application (MT-VRA); and</li><li>3. Collecting complete MT-VRA's from clients.</li></ol> <p>The law requires DPHHS to provide individuals who do not decline voter registration or assistance in completing forms:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. A MT-VRA;</li><li>2. Assistance in completing the MT-VRA; and</li><li>3. Collecting completed MT-VRA's from clients.</li></ol> <p>DPHHS is also required to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Provide specific notices to individuals regarding their NVRA rights;</li><li>2. Accept and submit completed MT-VRA's to the election administrator in the individual's county of residence; and,</li><li>3. Report information to the Montana Secretary of State regarding the actions DPHHS undertakes to fulfill its duties under the NVRA and § 13-2-221, MCA.</li></ol> <p>No DPHHS employee may:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Seek to influence an applicant's political preference or decisions;</li><li>2. Display on State property any political preference or party allegiance;</li><li>3. Make any statement or take any action to discourage an applicant from registering to vote;</li><li>4. Make any statement or take any action that leaves an applicant with the impression that a decision to register or not register has any bearing on eligibility for, or receipt of, any program benefit; or,</li><li>5. Disclose the identity of any applicant for public assistance to the public or the voter registration agency.</li></ol>
<b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b>	July 1, 2016