



Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Executive Office of Health and Human Services
Office of Medicaid
600 Washington Street
Boston, MA 02111
www.mass.gov/masshealth



MEMO: March 23, 2007

FROM: MassHealth

RE: PRUCOL Verification

Persons permanently residing under color of law" (PRUCOL) refers to persons residing in the U.S. who are known to the immigration authorities and whose extended presence in the U.S. is tolerated by those authorities although they have not been granted an official legal status.

Examples of PRUCOL include individuals:

- With deferred action status
- With approved immediate relative petitions
- With indefinite stays of deportations
- With indefinite voluntary departures
- Under an order of supervision
- Who meet the registry date
- Who have temporary protected status

For MassHealth purposes -an individual with PRUCOL status is an Alien with Special Status (AWSS)

- May qualify for:
 - MassHealth CommonHealth (Child under age 19 only)
 - MassHealth Family Assistance (Child under age 19 only)
 - MassHealth Essential plus Limited (Disabled/LTU Adult age 19-64; or Age 65 and older)
 - MassHealth Limited
 - Children's Medical Security Plan
 - Healthy Start
 - Commonwealth Care
 - Uncompensated Care Pool

Acceptable verification of PRUCOL status:

- Applicant/member must supply documentation from United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) acknowledging the individual is in the country and indicating that the USCIS is not intending to deport him/her or proof of having lived in US since before 1972.
- **REMINDER!** -When an applicant/member submits immigration documentation (example -Employment Authorization card, I-94), the “Provision of Law” or “Category” code is used to determine the appropriate immigration status. The chart below highlights most common codes to indicate PRUCOL.

Document Type	“Provision of Law” or “Category” code	Status
• Employment Authorization Card	• 274.12(c)(9) or C9	Application for adjustment of status
	• 274a12(a)(4) or A4	Paroled less than one year
	• 274a12(a)(11) or A11	Granted extended voluntary departure
	• 274a12(a)(12) or A12	Granted Temporary Protected Status (TPS)
	• 274a12(a)(13) or A13	Granted family unity
	• 274a12(c)(8) or C8	Applicant for Asylum
	• 274a12(c)(14) or C14	Granted deferred action status
	• 274a12(c)(16) or C16	Applicant for registry
	• 274a12(c)(18) or C18	Under orders of supervision
	• 274a12(c)(19) or C19	Applicant for Temporary Protected Status
• 274a12(c)(22) or C22	Applicant for legalization under 245A	
• I-94 Arrival/Departure Record	• 106	Granted indefinite stay of deportation
	• 242(b)	Granted voluntary departure
	• 212(d)(5); PIP; or parole	Paroled less than one year
	• K-3, K-4, U, V-1, V-2, V-3	Person granted K, S, U or V status
	• R-1 or R-2	Religious worker/dependents
• Other Immigration Documentation from USCIS, Immigration Judge, Board of Immigration Appeals, court or other authoritative source		