



TO: **Refugee Medical Screening (RMS)-Funded Agency and Clinic Directors**

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SUBJECT: Announcing the Temporary Waiver of RMS Screening Time Limits

BRP OPERATIONS MEMO			
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DATE:	01/08/2025		
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CROSS REFERENCE: [45 CFR § 400.107\(b\)](#)

EFFECTIVE DATE: OCTOBER 1, 2024

PURPOSE

The purpose of this memo is to provide:

1. Information on the temporary waiver of the requirement at 45 CFR § 400.107(b); and
2. Required actions for contractors.

BACKGROUND

The requirement at [45 CFR § 400.107\(b\)](#) applies to clinics receiving funding from the Bureau of Refugee Programs (BRP) to administer the Refugee Medical Screening (RMS) program and pertains to the recommended 90-day timeframe during which the RMS may occur without prior eligibility determination for Medicaid, CHIP and Refugee Medical Assistance (RMA).

POLICY

In section 2.7 of the BRP Policy Manual, RMS-funded clinics and agencies are instructed to provide the following required service: "Coordinate health-screening logistics and interpreter services to ensure that health screening is completed for all refugees within 90 calendar days

from their date of arrival.” The waiver of the requirement at [45 CFR § 400.107\(b\)](#), granted by the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR), means that from October 1, 2024 until September 30, 2025, those RMS-funded clinics and agencies must continue to coordinate medical screenings promptly as local circumstances and capacity allows, but may extend their provision from 90 to 120 days from the date of eligibility for ORR benefits without being found out of compliance with BRP contract agreements.

WISCONSIN REFUGEE PROGRAMS DATABASE (WRPD)

No change

REPORTING

No change

DOCUMENTATION

No change

TRAINING

There will not be any training; please reach out with questions as instructed below.

AGENCY ACTION

No action is required. RMS coordination services must continue as usual and 90-day time limits must be met as capacity allows, bearing in mind the allowable extension of up to 120 days. No additional documentation is required beyond what is described in section 3.2 of the BRP Policy Manual.

ATTACHMENTS

None

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