

441—41.21(239B) Eligibility factors specific to child.

41.21(1) *Age.* The family investment program (FIP) will be available to a needy child under the age of 18 years without regard to school attendance. A child is eligible for the entire month in which the child's eighteenth birthday occurs unless the birthday falls on the first day of the month. The FIP will also be available to a needy child of 18 years who is a full-time student in a secondary school, or in the equivalent level of vocational or technical training, as defined in paragraph 41.24(2) "e," and who is reasonably expected to complete the program before reaching the age of 19.

41.21(2) Reserved.

41.21(3) *Residing with relative.* The child must be living in the home of one of the relatives specified in subrule 41.22(3). When an unwed mother intends to place her child for adoption shortly after birth, the child will be considered as living with the mother until the time custody is actually relinquished.

a. Living with relatives implies primarily the existence of a relationship involving an accepted responsibility on the part of the relative for the child's welfare, including the sharing of a common household.

b. Home is the family setting maintained or in the process of being established as evidenced by the assumption and continuation of responsibility for the child by the relative.

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