

2. Non-IV-E Adoption Assistance

a. Non-IV-E definition

The following children meet the Non-IV-E adoption assistance definition:

1) Children who reside in Virginia who are adopted under a Non-IV-E adoption assistance agreement with a Virginia local department of social services or in conjunction with a Virginia private child placing agency.

2) “Special Medical Needs” children adopted under a Non IV-E Adoption Assistance agreement with a Virginia local department of social services or a Virginia private, non-profit child placement agency in conjunction with a local department of social services, in accordance with policies established by the State Board of Social Services.

b. Special Medical Needs definition

A child with “special medical needs” is a child who was determined unlikely to be adopted because of:

- a physical, mental or emotional condition that existed prior to adoption; or
- a hereditary tendency, genetic defect, congenital problem or birth injury leading to a substantial risk of future disability.