



# Provider Relations Outreach Specialist

## 171.220      **Illegal Discrimination**

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- A. A PCP may not reject a potential enrollee, and may not discriminate against a beneficiary because of the individual's age, sex, race, national origin or type of illness or condition.
- B. Rejecting a potential enrollee based on the individual's age or sex does not constitute unlawful discrimination if the physician customarily sees only patients of one sex and/or a particular age range. For instance:
  - 1. An obstetrician/gynecologist doesn't treat males, so he or she is not expected to enroll males.
  - 2. A pediatrician specializing in adolescent medicine may only see patients in a particular age range, such as 12 through 18.
- C. PCPs may specify the minimum and maximum ages of Medicaid and ARKids First-B enrollees they will accept.