

(e) "Assistance" means money payments with respect to a dependent child or children, and payments necessary for services for such children.

(f) No provisions of this section shall be repealed by any other Maryland law unless this section is specifically referred to in such repeal.

40. (Eligibility for Assistance to Dependent Children.) Assistance shall be given under this sub-title to any dependent child who

(a) Has resided in this State for one year immediately preceding the application for such assistance; or was born within the State within one year immediately preceding the application, and whose mother has resided in the State one year immediately preceding the birth of said child; or whose parent has resided in this State for one year immediately preceding the date of application; provided, however, that the State Department is authorized and empowered to make reciprocal arrangements with other States to waive residence requirements when, in their judgment, the same are deemed necessary, so long as the waiver does not invalidate Federal matching. In the event that future Federal legislation shall require the abolition of State residence requirements as a condition for Federal matching, the foregoing State residence requirement shall be considered abrogated and rendered null and void simultaneously with the effective date of such Federal enactment.

(b) Is living in a family home meeting the standards of care and health, fixed by the laws of this State and any rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto, and in which home the child's particular religious faith should be fostered and protected, if possible.

41. The amount of assistance which shall be granted for any dependent child shall be determined by the local units with due regard to the available resources and necessary expenditures of the family and the conditions existing in each case and shall be sufficient, when added to all other income and support available to the child, to provide such child with a reasonable subsistence compatible with decency and health.

44. (Granting of Assistance.) Upon the completion of such investigation, the local unit shall decide whether the child is eligible for assistance under the provisions of this sub-title and determine, in accordance with the rules and regu-