



THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH . . .

Helen Keller: "ALONE WE CAN DO SO LITTLE; TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH."

QUALIFIED ALIEN STATUS

A Qualified Alien is an individual who entered the US before August 22, 1996; OR entered the US on or after August 22, 1996, and is either a lawful permanent resident, refugee, asylee, Cuban-Haitian Entrant, American Indian born in Canada, Foreign born member of US Indian Tribe, Conditional Entrant, or Parolee for at least one year; OR entered the US on or after August 22, 1996, and has remained in qualified alien status for a period of at least five years.

Each of these types of individuals have specific verification requirements. If you have someone who you think may meet these criteria, please call our office for further clarification.



SPEAKING SCHEDULE

- March 16—Word of Grace Forum
 - March 20—San Marcos Rotary Club
 - March 27—Heartland Home Health
 - March 28—Mesa Christian Manor IV
- Want to learn more about ALTCS & its requirements? Call 480/464.4968 and have Carol Aragon-Montgomery speak to staff or residents at your next meeting.

**NEED A PREVIOUSLY
ISSUED NEWSLETTER?
HAVE A SUGGESTION or A
NEWSLETTER IDEA?
CALL US!**

Because ALTCS has many guidelines and the process can be overwhelming for someone needing care, refer them to **Montgomery & Associates** for a no-obligation free initial evaluation. We can help them spend down, organize their assets, and sort through the ALTCS red tape to qualify as soon as possible.
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CITIZENSHIP



In order to be eligible for AHCCCS medical benefits, a potential member must be a US Citizen, or a Qualified Alien.

US Citizens can be citizens by birth, through a parent's US Citizenship, through marriage, or by Naturalization.

By birth: A person claiming US Citizenship must provide supporting documentation to prove their citizenship. Individuals born within the US or its territories can provide a copy of their birth certificate or for ALTCS, they can sign a Declaration of Citizenship. If a potential ALTCS member cannot find their own birth certificate, other supporting documents may include: Religious or school records, a US Passport, genealogical records, etc.

Through a parent's US Citizenship: Individuals who are citizens due to their parent's US Citizenship have very specific requirements. If you have someone who you think may meet this criteria, please call our office for further clarification. **Through marriage:** A woman who married a US Citizen before 09/22/1922 can derive US Citizenship, although we probably won't be seeing very many more of these particular individuals.

By Naturalization: Individuals who have applied for and gone through the naturalization process are considered US Citizens, but must provide a copy of their Naturalization Certificate.