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## Contents:

- Overview of MERP

- Documentation requirements

- Clarification / Enhancements regarding MERP

## Authority for MERP Recovery

The Medicaid Estate Recovery Program (MERP) is required by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (OBRA '93) to recover the costs paid by Medicaid for long-term care benefits received by certain Medicaid recipients.

As a result of the mandate of 42 U.S. Code § 1396p(b)(1), Texas enacted 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 373.101 et seq., establishing MERP.

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