

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

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MORE LIBERAL METHODS OF TREATING INCOME UNDER SECTION 1902(r)(2) OF
THE ACT*

Section 1902 (f) Non-Section 1902 (f) State

The following items were formerly included as supplement 5, effective 10/1/87 and approved 1/25/88 (SPA 87-16).

SSI-related Medicaid

- Infrequent or irregular voluntary cash contributions or gifts are excluded.
- Lump Sum receipt of earnings such as sale of crops or livestock are averaged over the six-month accounting period.
- Countable income of an ineligible spouse is added to the countable income of an eligible individual and compared, after deductions, to the Medically Needy Income Level for two.

** The following items apply only to pregnant women and children under subsection 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)III, IV, VI, VII and 1902 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(IX) which includes those with income under the applicable poverty line income test:

** Depreciation is deducted as a business expense.

** In-kind assistance from others is excluded.

* More liberal methods may not result in exceeding gross income limitations under section 1903(f).

** These items are contained in SPA 89-6.

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From January 1 until April 1, the Department will disregard the difference between its estimated Federal poverty levels (FPLs) and the currently approved FPLs as published in the Federal Register. Effective April 1, the Department will issue a second increase if the actual FPLs exceed its estimate. If the department's estimated FPLs issued January 1 are higher than the actual FPLs, the department will continue to disregard the difference between its estimated FPLs and the ones published in the Federal Register.

For pregnant women eligible (at 185 percent of the poverty guideline) under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IX) and 1902(a)(1)(1)(A):

- (1) Disregard income in the amount of 15 percent of the federal poverty level for the size family involved as revised annually in the Federal Register.

For infants eligible (at 185 percent of the poverty guideline) under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IX) and 1902(a)(1)(1)(B):

- (1) Disregard income in the amount of 40 percent of the federal poverty level for the size family involved as revised annually in the Federal Register.

For children ages one through five eligible (at 133 percent of the poverty guideline) under 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VI):

- (1) Disregard income in the amount of 92 percent of the federal poverty level for the size family involved as revised annually in the Federal Register.

For children age six or more, born after September 30, 1983, eligible (at 100 percent of the poverty guideline) under 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VII):

- (1) Disregard income in the amount of 125 percent of the federal poverty level for the size family involved as revised annually in the Federal Register.

For qualified children eligible (using AFDC income requirements) under 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III):

- (1) Disregard income in the amount of the difference between 100 percent of the AFDC payment standard and 225 percent of the federal poverty level for the size family involved as revised annually in the Federal Register.

For working disabled individuals eligible (at 250 percent of the poverty guideline) under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII):

- (1) Disregard all Social Security Disability Insurance benefits.
- (2) Disregard all veteran's disability benefits.

*More liberal methods may not result in exceeding gross income limitations under section 1903(f).

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For medically needy individuals under 1902(a)(10)(C):

- (1) When determining the medically needy eligibility of a parent (including a step-parent and an adoptive parent), disregard the portion of the parent's countable income deemed to a child under age 18, or to a child age 18, 19, or 20 who is living in the parent's household unless the child makes a monthly or more frequent room or board payment to the parent and is either pregnant or a parent whose own child is living in the household. For example, for a parent with two children under the age of 18, one-third of the parent's income would be allocated to each child and subtracted from the parent's income.

- (2) When determining the medically needy eligibility of a parent/caretaker relative, pregnant woman, or child applicant whose spouse is a member of the applicant's household, disregard the portion, based on family size, of the applicant's countable income deemed to the applicant's spouse. In turn, disregard the portion, based on family size, of the spouse's countable income retained for the spouse's own support and the support of other family members for whom the spouse is financially responsible. For example, for a married parent with two children under the age of 18, one quarter of the parent's income would be allocated to the spouse and one quarter to each child, thereby subtracting three quarters of the parent's income; in turn, three quarters of the spouse's income would be retained by the spouse (one quarter for the spouse and one quarter for each of the two children) and the remaining one quarter of the spouse's income would be added to the remaining one quarter of the parent's income to determine the parent's total income for purposes of medically needy eligibility.

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- (1) For all medically needy individuals, disregard income in the amount of the difference between the percentage increase in the CPI-U (between July 16, 1996 and September of the last month in the most recently completed FFY) and the MNIL in effect on July 16, 1996.

If the sum of the 1996 MNIL threshold plus the disregarded income as described above for any individual's household size and residence (outside or inside Chittenden County) does not equal or exceed the threshold in the table below for the same household size and residence, then in addition to the income disregarded as described above, disregard additional income according to the following formula:

Threshold from the table below for an individual's household size and residence minus (1996 MNIL threshold + amount of disregarded income as described above).

2014 MAGI-Converted Thresholds for 18-20-year-old Individuals		
Group Size	Outside Chittenden Co.	Inside Chittenden Co.
1	\$978	\$1051
2	\$1000	\$1072
3	\$1205	\$1277
4	\$1377	\$1439
5	\$1556	\$1627
6	\$1678	\$1748
7	\$1874	\$1944
8	\$2045	\$2114

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Wages paid by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to census activities are excluded for the following eligibility groups:

- Poverty level pregnant women and infants described at §1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV)
- Poverty level children under age 6 described at §1902(a)(10)(i)(VI)
- Poverty level children under age 19, who are born after September 30, 1983 (or, at State option, after any earlier date) described at §1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VII)
- Qualified pregnant women described at §§1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) and 1905(n)(1)
- Qualified children described at §1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III)
- Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries described at §§1902(a)(10)(E)(i) and 1905(p)
- Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries described at §1902(a)(10)(E)(iii)
- Qualifying individuals described at §1902(a)(10)(E)(iv)
- Individuals who are eligible for but not receiving IV-A, SSI or State supplement cash assistance described at §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I)
- Individuals who could be eligible for IV-A cash assistance if State did not subsidize child care described at §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(II)
- Individuals who would have been eligible for IV-A cash assistance, SSI, or State Supplement if not in a medical institution described at §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IV)
- Children under 21 (or at State option 20, 19, or 18) who are under State adoption agreements described at §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII)
- Optional poverty level pregnant women described at §§1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IX) and 1902(l)(1)(A)
- Optional poverty level infants described at §§1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IX) and 1902(l)(1)(B)
- Individuals receiving only an optional State supplement payment which may be more restrictive than the criteria for an optional State supplement under title XVI described at §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XI)
- Uninsured women, under 65, who are screened for breast or cervical cancer under CDC program described at §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII)
- Working disabled individuals who buy in to Medicaid (BBA working disabled group) described at §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII)
- Aged medically needy individuals described at §§1902(a)(10)(C) and 1905(a)(iii)
- Blind medically needy individuals described at §§1902(a)(10)(C) and 1905(a)(iv)
- Disabled medically needy individuals described at §§1902(a)(10)(C) and 1905(a)(v)
- Individuals who would be eligible if State AFDC plan were as broad as permitted described at 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(III)
- Medically needy parents/caretaker relatives described at §§1902(a)(10)(C) and 1905(a)(ii)
- Medically needy children younger than age 21 described at §§1902(a)(10)(C) and 1905(a)(i)
- Medically needy pregnant women described at §§1092(a)(10)(C) and 1905(a)(viii).

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