

# STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR KODY H. KINSLEY Secretary

August 22, 2022

James Scott, Director Division of Program Operations Department of Health & Human Services Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services 601 East 12th Street Room 355 Kansas City, Missouri 64106

#### SUBJECT: State Plan Amendment Title XIX, Social Security Act Transmittal #2022-0001

Dear Mr. Scott:

Please find attached an amendment for North Carolina's State Plan under Title XIX of the Social Security Act for the Medical Assistance Program. The affected page is Attachment 2.2-A Page 15.

This State Plan Amendment proposes the following change: Currently the State Administered, State Supplement Program Special Assistance, automatically includes full Medicaid coverage for beneficiaries receiving state supplement payment, when they reside in a skilled nursing facility. For those individuals who receive Special Assistance In-Home, this SPA change will also include full Medicaid coverage for Special Assistance In-Home beneficiaries who receive a state supplement payment.

Your approval of this state plan amendment is requested. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or Cecilia Williams at (919) 270-2530.

Sincerely,

ocuSigned by: D7816E4CBA6F4A8..

Kody H. Kinsley Secretary

Enclosures

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Program Name	N/A	State	NC
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# **Submission - Summary**

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### **State Information**

State/Territory Name: North Carolina

#### **Submission Component**

State Plan Amendment

Medicaid Agency Name: Division of Medical Assistance

Medicaid

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#### **Executive Summary**

Summary Description Including<br/>Goals and ObjectivesNC is updating our SPA to provide greater parity among individuals receiving benefits under the State-County Special<br/>Assistance Program authorized under G.S. 108A-40, regardless if they elect to reside in an adult care home, a special care<br/>unit or an in-home living arrangement. NC is seeking approval to allow eligible individuals residing in in-home living<br/>arrangements to qualify for State-County Special Assistance under the Social Security Optional State Supplement Program<br/>in the same manner as individuals residing in adult care home or special care units.

#### Federal Budget Impact and Statute/Regulation Citation

#### Federal Budget Impact

	Federal Fiscal Year	Amount
First	2022	\$7569189
Second	2023	\$30503745

#### Federal Statute / Regulation Citation

20 CFR 416.2001 State Supplementary payment and NC G.S. 108A-40. 1932(a)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act (the Act)

#### Supporting documentation of budget impact is uploaded (optional).

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# **Governor's Office Review**

No comment

 $\bigcirc$  Comments received

🔘 No response within 45 days

🔿 Other

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#### The submission includes the following:

Administration

Eligibility

Income/Resource Methodologies

Eligibility Determinations of Individuals Age 65 or Older or Who Have Blindness or a Disability

Reviewable Unit Name	Included in Another Source Type Submission Package	
Eligibility Determinations of Individuals Age 65 or Older or Who Have Blindness or a Disability	NEW	

MAGI-Based Methodologies

Non-MAGI Methodologies

Reviewable Unit Name	Included in Another Source Type Submission Package
Non-MAGI Methodologies	( NEW

More Restrictive Requirements than SSI under 1902(f) - (209(b) States)

Income/Resource Standards

#### AFDC Income Standards

Medically Needy Income Level

Reviewable Unit Name	Included in Another Submission Package
Medically Needy Income Level	NEW NEW

Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown)

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Medically Needy Resource Level

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Mandatory Eligibility Groups

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Optional Eligibility Groups		

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Non-Financial Eligibility

Eligibility and Enrollment Processes

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# **Submission - Public Comment**

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#### Indicate whether public comment was solicited with respect to this submission.

Public notice was not federally required and comment was not solicited

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# **Submission - Tribal Input**

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One or more Indian Health Programs or Urban Indian Organizations furnish health care services in this state

• Yes

() No

This state plan amendment is likely to have a direct effect on Indians, Indian Health Programs or Urban Indian Organizations, as described in the state consultation plan.

○ Yes

🖸 No

Explain why this SPA is not likely This change is to allow eligible Indian Health Programs or Urban arrangements to qualify for State-

to have a direct effect on Indians, individuals residing in in-home living Indian Organizations: County Special Assistance under the Social Security Optional State Supplement program in the same manner as individuals residing in adult care homes or special care units.

#### Income/Resource Methodologies

#### Eligibility Determinations of Individuals Age 65 or Older or Who Have Blindness or a Disability

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# A. Eligibility Determinations of Individuals Who Are Age 65 or Older or Who Have Blindness or a Disability

Eligibility determinations of individuals who are age 65 or older or who have blindness or a disability are based on one of the following:

#### 1. SSA Eligibility Determination State (1634 State)

The state has an agreement under section 1634 of the Social Security Act for the Social Security Administration to determine Medicaid eligibility of SSI beneficiaries. For all other individuals who seek Medicaid eligibility on the basis of being age 65 or older or having blindness or a disability, the state requires a separate Medicaid application and determines financial eligibility based on SSI income and resource methodologies.

#### 2. State Eligibility Determination (SSI Criteria State)

The state requires all individuals who seek Medicaid eligibility on the basis of being age 65 or older or having blindness or a disability, including SSI beneficiaries, to file a separate Medicaid application, and determines financial eligibility based on SSI income and resource methodologies.

#### O 3. State Eligibility Determination (209(b) State)

The state requires all individuals who seek Medicaid eligibility on the basis of being age 65 or older or having blindness or a disability, including SSI beneficiaries, to file a separate Medicaid application, and determines financial eligibility using income and resource methodologies more restrictive than SSI.

#### **B. Additional information (optional)**

Income/Resource Methodologies

#### Non-MAGI Methodologies

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The state will apply the methodologies as described below, and consistent with 42 CFR 435.601, 435.602, and 435.831.

#### A. Basic Financial Methodology

1. The state applies the income and resource methodologies of the SSI program when determining eligibility for a population based on age (65 or older) or having blindness or a disability, with the exceptions described below in B. through G.

2. The state applies the financial methodologies of either the SSI program or the AFDC program in effect as of July 16, 1996 (whichever is most closely related) when determining eligibility for a population based on age (as a child), pregnancy, or status as a caretaker relative, with the exceptions described below in B. through G.

### **B. Use of Less Restrictive Methodologies**

1. The state elects to apply income and/or resources methodologies that are less restrictive than those used under the cash assistance programs, in accordance with 42 CFR 435.601(d).

Yes

⊖ No

2. The less restrictive income and resource methodologies are described on the RU for each applicable eligibility group.

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#### C. Financial Responsibility of Relatives

1. In determining financial eligibility for an individual, the state does not include income and resources from anyone other than the individual's spouse, and for individuals under age 21 or who have blindness or disability, the individual's parent.

a.The state includes the income and resources of a spouse or parent only when they are living with the individual in the same household, except as follows:

i. In the case of spouses who are age 65 or older or who have blindness or disability and who share the same room in a Medicaid institution, the state:

- (1) Considers these couples either as living together or as living separately for the purpose of counting income and resources, whichever is more advantageous to the couple.
- (2) Considers these couples as living separately for the purpose of counting income and resources.

ii. Where applicable, the state determines income and resource eligibility consistent with the spousal impoverishment rules of section 1924 of the Act, as described in the Resource Assessment and Eligibility reviewable unit.

b. In the case of individuals under age 21 for whom AFDC is the most closely related cash assistance program, the income and resources of parents and spouses are included only if the individual would have been considered a dependent under the state's approved AFDC state plan in effect as of July 16, 1996.

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#### **D. Family Size**

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1. The family size of an individual for whom the SSI income and resource methodologies are used (as described in section A) includes the persons identified below:

a. The individual applying, or

b. If the individual lives together with his or her spouse, the individual applying and the spouse, or

c. If the individual lives together with his or her parent(s) and the individual is under 21 or has blindness or a disability, the individual applying and the parent(s).

2. The family size of an individual for whom the AFDC income and resource methodologies are used (as described in section A.), includes the persons who would have been included in the family under the state's July 16, 1996 AFDC state plan, except where the state has elected to use the MAGI-like methodologies (as described in section E).

3. The state defines family size for one or more of the following FPL eligibility groups to include others beyond those identified in D.1, and D.2.

• Yes

🔿 No

a. Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (described in section 1902(a)(10)(E)(i) of the Act)

b. Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries (described in section 1902(a)(10)(E)(iii) of the Act)

\_\_\_\_ c. Qualifying Individuals (described in section 1902(a)(10)(E)(iv) of the Act)

d. Qualified Disabled and Working Individuals (described in section 1902(a)(10)(E)(ii) of the Act)

e. Age and Disability-Related Poverty Level (described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) of the Act)

\_\_\_\_f. Work Incentives (described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act)

g. Family Opportunity Act Children with a Disability (described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIX) of the Act)

h. Individuals Receiving State Plan Home and Community-Based Services (described in 42 CFR 435.219)

4. The state uses the same definition of family size for the selected FPL eligibility groups.

Yes

() No

5. For the selected FPL eligibility groups, family size is defined as follows:

a. Family is defined as the individual, the individual's spouse and the individual's children under age 18 living together in the same household. If the individual is a child, the child's parents and siblings under age 18 are also included in the household if living together.

#### **Optional description:**

O b. The state uses another definition of family.

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# E. Use of MAGI-like Methodologies

1. The state uses MAGI-like methodologies for one or more populations for whom the most closely related cash assistance program would be the AFDC program in effect as of July 16, 1996.

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# F. Countable Income Deductions for the Medically Needy

In determining countable income for individuals who are age 65 or older or who have blindness or a disability, the state deducts:

1. Amounts that would be deducted in determining eligibility under SSI.

2. The highest amounts that would be deducted in determining eligibility for optional state supplements if these supplements are paid to all individuals who are receiving SSI or would be eligible for SSI except for their income.

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# G. Additional Information (optional)

#### Income/Resource Standards

#### Medically Needy Income Level

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#### A. Income Level Used

1. The state employs a single income level for the medically needy.

2. The income level varies based on differences between shelter costs in urban and rural areas.

◯ Yes

🖸 No

3. The level used is:

Household size	Standard
1	\$242.00
2	\$317.00
3	\$367.00
4	\$400.00
5	\$433.00
6	\$467.00
7	\$500.00
8	\$525.00

The state uses an additional incremental amount for larger household sizes.

⊖ Yes

No

The dollar amounts increase automatically each year

⊖ Yes

No

# Medically Needy Income Level

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#### **B. Basis for Income Level**

1. Minimum Income Level

The minimum income level for this eligibility group is the lower of the state's July 1996 AFDC payment standard or the state's income standard for the Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives eligibility group.

#### 2. Maximum Income Level

The maximum income level for this eligibility group is 133 1/3 percent of the higher of the state's 1996 AFDC payment standard or the state's income standard for the Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives eligibility group.

# Medically Needy Income Level

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C. Additional Information (optional)			

#### Income/Resource Standards

#### Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown)

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If countable income exceeds the income standard, the state must deduct from income medical expenses incurred by the individual or family or financially responsible relatives that are not subject to payment by a third party, in accordance with 42 CFR 435.831 and 42 CFR 435.121.

#### **A. Budget Periods**

Income in excess of the appropriate income standard is considered available for payment of medical or remedial care expenses in budget periods that do not exceed six months.

1. In determining income eligibility, countable income is reduced by the amount of incurred medical or remedial care expenses during the budget period specified below:

• a. One budget period of:

i. 6 months
ii. 5 months
iii. 4 months
iv. 3 months
v. 2 months
vi. 1 month

 $\bigcirc$  b. More than one budget period, as described below:

2. The state includes part or all of the retroactive period in the budget period.

• Yes

 $\bigcirc$  No

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#### **B. Types of Eligible Expenses**

1. In determining incurred expenses to be deducted from income, the state includes:

a. Medicare, Medicaid, and other health insurance premiums and enrollment fees.

b. Cost sharing, including copayments, coinsurance, and deductibles, imposed by Medicare, Medicaid or other health insurance.

c. Expenses for necessary medical and remedial services recognized by state law but not included in the state plan.

d. Expenses for necessary medical and remedial services included in the state plan, including those that exceed limitations on the amount, duration, and scope of services.

2. The state also includes medical institutional expenses projected to the end of the budget period at the Medicaid reimbursement rate.

O Yes

() No

3. Incurred expenses subject to payment by a third party are not deducted unless the third party is a public program (other than Medicaid) of a state and the program is financed by the state.

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#### C. Timeframe of Deduction of Expenses

In determining incurred expenses to be deducted from income, the state deducts:

1. For retroactive budget periods and a budget period that includes both retroactive and prospective budget, the state deducts:

a. Eligible expenses incurred during the budget period, whether paid or unpaid.

b. Payments made during the budget period on eligible expenses incurred at any time prior to the budget period, if not previously deducted in establishing eligibility.

c. Unpaid eligible expenses, which have not been deducted previously in establishing eligibility, and were incurred:

- i. At any time prior to the budget period.
- ii. Prior to the third month before the month of application, but no earlier than:

24 months

 $\bigcirc$  iii. No earlier than the third month before the month of application.

2. For prospective budget period(s), the state deducts:

a. Eligible expenses incurred during the budget period, whether paid or unpaid.

b. Payments made during the budget period on eligible expenses incurred at any time prior to the budget period, if not previously deducted in establishing eligibility.

c. Unpaid eligible expenses that are carried over from the prior budget period and have not been deducted previously in establishing eligibility.

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#### **D. Order of Deduction of Expenses**

Incurred medical or remedial care expenses are deducted in the following order:

 $\bigcirc$  1. By the type of service, in the following order:

a. Premiums, deductibles, coinsurance and co-payments.

b. Expenses for necessary medical or remedial care services that are recognized under state law but not included in the State Plan.

c. Expenses for necessary medical or remedial care services that are included in the state Plan that exceed agency limitations on amount, duration, or scope of services.

d. Expenses for necessary medical or remedial care services that are included in the state Plan that are within the agency limitations on amount, duration, or scope of services.

2. In chronological order by the date of the service, or the date cost sharing payments are due.

 $\bigcirc$  3. In chronological order by the date the bill is submitted to the state by the individual.

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#### E. Reasonable Limitations

The state sets reasonable limits on the amount to be deducted for expenses.

O Yes

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# F. Spenddown Payments Made by Individuals

The state permits individuals to pay-in their spenddown liability.

YesNo

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# G. Additional Information (optional)

### Income/Resource Standards

### Medically Needy Resource Level

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### A. Medically Needy Resource Level Structure

1. The state employs a single resource level for the medically needy.

2. The resource level is equal to or higher than the lowest resource standard used under the most closely related cash assistance program.

# Medically Needy Resource Level

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#### **B. Resource Level Used**

The level used is:

Household size	Standard
1	\$2000.00
2	\$3000.00

The state uses an additional incremental amount for larger household sizes.

YesNo

# Medically Needy Resource Level

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# C. Additional Information (optional)

### Mandatory Eligibility Groups

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# **Mandatory Coverage**

#### A. The state provides Medicaid to mandatory groups of individuals. The mandatory groups covered are:

#### **Families and Adults**

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 😯
Infants and Children under Age 19	ø			0	CONVERTED
Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	ø			0	CONVERTED
Pregnant Women	P			0	CONVERTED
Deemed Newborns	P			0	NEW
Children with Title IV-E Adoption Assistance, Foster Care or Guardianship Care	ø			0	NEW
Former Foster Care Children	ø			0	NEW
Transitional Medical Assistance	ø			0	NEW
Extended Medicaid due to Spousal Support Collections	ø			0	NEW

#### Aged, Blind and Disabled

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 💡
SSI Beneficiaries	P			0	NEW
Closed Eligibility Groups	Ð			0	NEW
Individuals Deemed To Be Receiving SSI	Ð			0	NEW
Working Individuals under 1619(b)	Ð			•	NEW
Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries	P			0	NEW
Qualified Disabled and Working Individuals	P			0	NEW

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package 🕜	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 😧
Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries	Ð			0	NEW
Qualifying Individuals	P			0	NEW

### Mandatory Eligibility Groups

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B. The state elects the Adult Group, described at 42 CFR 435.119.

🔾 Yes 💿 No

C. Additional Information (optional)

# **Eligibility Groups Deselected from Coverage**

The following eligibility groups were previously covered in the source approved version of the state plan and deselected from coverage as part of this submission package:

• N/A

### **Optional Eligibility Groups**

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# A. Options for Coverage

#### The state provides Medicaid to specified optional groups of individuals.

💽 Yes 🔿 No

The optional eligibility groups covered in the state plan are (elections made in this screen may not be comprehensive during the transition period from the paperbased state plan to MACPro):

#### **Families and Adults**

Eligibility Group Name		Covered in State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 😯
Optional Coverage of Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	Ð			0	NEW
Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21	Ð			0	CONVERTED
Children with Non-IV-E Adoption Assistance	Ð			0	CONVERTED
Independent Foster Care Adolescents	Ð			0	CONVERTED
Optional Targeted Low Income Children	Ð			0	NEW
Individuals above 133% FPL under Age 65	Ð			0	NEW
Individuals Needing Treatment for Breast or Cervical Cancer	Ð			0	NEW
Individuals Eligible for Family Planning Services	ø			0	CONVERTED
Individuals with Tuberculosis	Ð			0	NEW
Individuals Electing COBRA Continuation Coverage	P			0	NEW

#### Aged, Blind and Disabled

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package 🕜	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 😧
Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance	P			0	NEW

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 🕜
Individuals Eligible for Cash Except for Institutionalization	ø			0	NEW
Individuals Receiving Home and Community- Based Waiver Services under Institutional Rules	Ð			0	NEW
Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries	Ð			0	NEW
Individuals in Institutions Eligible under a Special Income Level	Ð			0	NEW
PACE Participants	ø			0	NEW
Individuals Receiving Hospice	Ð			0	NEW
Children under Age 19 with a Disability	ø			0	NEW
Age and Disability- Related Poverty Level	ø			•	NEW
Work Incentives	Ð			0	NEW
Ticket to Work Basic	Ð			•	NEW
Ticket to Work Medical Improvements	Ð			0	NEW
Family Opportunity Act Children with a Disability	ø			0	NEW
Individuals Receiving State Plan Home and Community-Based Services	Ð			0	NEW
Individuals Receiving State Plan Home and Community-Based Services Who Are Otherwise Eligible for HCBS Waivers	Ð			0	NEW

# **Optional Eligibility Groups**

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# **B. Medically Needy Options for Coverage**

The state provides Medicaid to specified groups of individuals who are medically needy.

💽 Yes 🔿 No

The medically needy eligibility groups covered in the state plan are:

#### 1. Mandatory Medically Needy:

#### **Families and Adults**

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 🕜
Medically Needy Pregnant Women	P			•	NEW
Medically Needy Children under Age 18	P	E		0	NEW

#### Aged, Blind and Disabled

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 😯
Protected Medically Needy Individuals Who Were Eligible in 1973	Ð			0	NEW

# 2. Optional Medically Needy:

**Families and Adults** 

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 😯
Medically Needy Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21	ø			•	NEW
Medically Needy Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	ø			•	NEW

#### Aged, Blind and Disabled

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 😯
Medically Needy Populations Based on Age, Blindness or Disability	ø			•	NEW

### **Optional Eligibility Groups**

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### C. Additional Information (optional)

## **Eligibility Groups Deselected from Coverage**

The following eligibility groups were previously covered in the source approved version of the state plan and deselected from coverage as part of this submission package:

• N/A

# **Medicaid State Plan Eligibility**

### Eligibility Groups - Options for Coverage

#### **Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries**

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Individuals who receive an optional state supplementary payment.

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The state covers the Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

#### **A. Characteristics**

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

1. Receive an optional state supplement that meets the conditions described in sections C and D.

2. Except for income, would be eligible for SSI.

3. Do not have gross income exceeding 300% of the SSI Federal Benefit Rate (FBR).

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#### **B. Individuals Covered**

1. The state covers all individuals who meet the characteristics described in section A.

Yes
 No

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### C. Optional State Supplement Program

1. The optional state supplement program is administered:

- a. Solely by the federal government. The state has an agreement with the Social Security Administration under section 1616 of the Act regarding the administration of optional state supplementary payments.
- b. By a combination of federal and state administration. The state has an agreement with the Social Security Administration under section 1616 of the Act regarding the administration of optional state supplementary payments for some classifications of individuals, while state supplementary payments for other classifications of individuals are administered by the state.

• c. Solely by the state.

2. Payments under the optional state supplement program are:

a. Based on need and paid in cash on a regular basis;

b. Equal to the difference between the individual's countable income and the income standard used to determine eligibility for supplement; and

c. Available to all individuals in each population selected in section B.

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### D. Income Standard of Optional State Supplement Program

1. The income standard for the optional state supplement:

a. Varies by political subdivision.
Yes
No
b. Varies by payment classification.
Yes
No

The payment classifications used are:

i. All individuals age 65 or older, regardless of living arrangement.

#### **Income Standard**

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n	0
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i	1
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u	\$
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1	2
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ii. All individuals who have blindness, regardless of living arrangement.

#### Income Standard

1	С
n	0
d	u
iv	р
i	1
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iii. All individuals who have a disability, regardless of living arrangement.

#### **Income Standard**

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iv. Independent living.

v. Living in household of another.

 $\hfill \Box$  vi. Independent living and receiving non-medical care outside the home.

 $\hfill \Box$  vii. Living in household of another and receiving non-medical care outside the home.

viii. Living in a domiciliary facility or other group living arrangement.

ix. Other payment classification.

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## E. Additional Information (optional)

The state does serve married couples who receive Special Assistance In-home, but they are budgeted separately as a budget unit of one. Each person in the couple has a income limit of \$1228.

# Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

Eligibility Groups - Options for Coverage

#### Age and Disability- Related Poverty Level

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Individuals who are age 65 or older or who have a disability, with income no higher than 100% FPL.

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The state covers the optional Age and Disability-Related Poverty Level eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

#### **A. Characteristics**

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

1. Meet at least one of the following condition(s):

a. Are age 65 or older; or

b. Have a disability.

2. Have income and resources at or below the standard for this group.

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### **B. Individuals Covered**

1. The state covers all individuals who meet the characteristics described in section A.

Yes

 $\bigcirc$  No

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### **C. Financial Methodologies**

1. SSI methodologies are used in calculating household income and resources. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.

2. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income.

◯ Yes

No

3. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.

◯ Yes

🖸 No

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#### D. Income Standard Used

The income standard for this eligibility group is:

1. 100% FPL2. A lower percent of the FPL:

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#### E. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard used is:

• 1. The resource limit for the SSI program; or

 $\bigcirc$  2. The resource limit used in the state's medically needy program, if higher.

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### F. Additional Information (optional)

# Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

### Eligibility Groups - Medically Needy

#### Medically Needy Populations Based on Age, Blindness or Disability

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Individuals who are age 65 or older or who have blindness or a disability who do not qualify as categorically needy.

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The state covers the optional Medically Needy Populations Based on Age, Blindness or Disability eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

#### **A. Characteristics**

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

1.Meet at least one of the following:

a. Are age 65 or older;

b. Have blindness; or

c. Have a disability.

2. Are not otherwise eligible for categorically needy coverage under the state plan.

3. Have income at or below the medically needy income level and resources at or below the medically needy resource level.

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#### **B. Individuals Covered**

The state covers the following populations:

🗌 1. Individuals age 65 or older

2. Individuals with blindness

🗌 3. Individuals who have a disability

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#### **C. Financial Methodologies**

1. The state uses the same financial methodology for all individuals covered.

- Yes
- 🖸 No

2. The financial methodology used is:

#### Age 65 or older

a. SSI methodologies. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.

b. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income.

🖸 Yes 🔿 No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

The difference between one income standard and another is disregarded.

O Betwee n the followin g percent ages of the FPL: Betwee n the medical lv needy income limit and a percent age of the FPL: O Betwee n the SS Federal Benefit Rate and: O Betwee n other income standar ds:

c. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.

🔾 Yes 💿 No

Individuals with blindness

a. SSI methodologies. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.

b. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income.

💽 Yes 🔿 No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

The difference between one income standard and another is disregarded.

**FPL** 300.00%

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c. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.

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#### D. Income Standard Used

The income standard used for this group is described in the Medically Needy Income Level RU.

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### E. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard used for this group is described in the Medically Needy Resource Level RU.

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### F. Spenddown

The state allows individuals to deduct incurred medical and remedial expenses (spend down) to become eligible under this group. Spenddown is defined in the Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown) RU.

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## G. Additional Information (optional)

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