

Financial Eligibility for the Elderly and Disabled Waiver and HIV/AIDS Waiver Programs

Satellite Conference and Live Webcast

Friday, January 18, 2008 • 9:00-11:00 a.m. (Central Time)

10:00-12:00 p.m. (Eastern) • 8:00-10:00 p.m. (Mountain) • 7:00-9:00 a.m. (Pacific)

Effective October 1, 2007, financial eligibility guidelines changed for the Elderly and Disabled (E/D) and HIV/AIDS Waiver Programs. Financial categories of eligibility were added to the waivers including 300% eligibility to the E/D Waiver Program.

Case managers who work in these programs have a responsibility to verify the financial eligibility of waiver applicants and recipients. The financial eligibility of individuals who already qualify for Medicaid through one of the coverage groups must be confirmed and documented. An application for 300% eligibility must be processed for other qualified applicants and recipients who are not otherwise financially eligible. A thorough knowledge of financial eligibility criteria and the 300% application process is essential to complete these case management responsibilities successfully.

Ricky Hatcher from the Alabama Medicaid Agency (AMA) will be the primary presenter for this training regarding the current financial criteria and financial application process for both waiver programs. Other staff from the AMA, the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH), and the Alabama Department of Senior Services (ADSS) will be available to help address training participant questions, as needed. Particular focus will be placed on a review of the criteria and application process for 300% eligibility that is a coverage group for both the E/D and the HIV/AIDS Waiver programs.

The target audience for the training will be the ADPH and ADSS waiver case management staff. This training will be the first required in-service in 2008 for all ADPH case managers and supervisors who are employed and working in the E/D Waiver and/or the HIV/AIDS Waiver programs and as such will address state specific policies and procedures. Colleagues from other states are invited to participate as well.

Program Objectives:

1. Participants will gain an understanding of the financial eligibility criteria associated with the E/D and HIV/AIDS waiver programs, including Medicaid certifying agencies and coverage groups.
2. Participants will be knowledgeable about the guiding policies related to income and resource determinations associated with 300% eligibility for the E/D and HIV/AIDS waiver programs.
3. Participants will be able to evaluate a client's potential eligibility for approval of 300% eligibility.
4. Participants will be able to identify the steps involved to process a 300% financial eligibility application.
5. Participants will be able to assist a waiver applicant to fill out the 300% eligibility application and identify verifying documents needed to support the application.

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Conference Details:

Target Audience: Waiver Case Management staff employed by the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) and the Alabama Department of Senior Services (ADSS). This is a required 2008 in-service for ADPH case management staff.

Registration: www.adph.org/alphntn

Cost: There is no cost to view.

Contact Hours: 1.75 Approved for Social Workers

Satellite Technical Information: This program will be a live satellite broadcast on both Ku & C bands.

Webcast Information: Register at www.adph.org/alphntn. To view webcast, you need RealPlayer. Test your computer before the day of the program from the "test connection" link at www.adph.org/alphntn. On the day of the program, go to www.adph.org/alphntn. Click on the "view webcast" link.

Conference Materials: Posted on our website approximately one week before the program for registered participants.

Questions For Faculty: Fax or email those questions and a response will be given during the program.

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Conference Details Questions: 334-206-5618 or send email to alphntn@adph.state.al.us.