Medicaid Income Limits for 2008

<u>To qualify for Medicaid through SSI</u> the income limit for an aged, blind or disabled individual cannot exceed \$657 per month or \$976 for a couple. In addition, resource limits apply. For an individual the <u>resources</u> cannot exceed \$2,000 per month or \$3,000 per month for a couple. Some examples of resources are: cash, money in checking and savings accounts, loans, promissory notes, stocks, bonds, time deposits (certificates of deposit, annuities, etc), mutual funds, mineral and timber rights, real estate, etc. Individuals must apply with the <u>Social Security Administration</u> for the SSI (Supplemental Security Income) Program.

Nursing Home (Institutionalized) Medicaid:

The Medicaid income limit for individuals eligible for the Nursing Home (institutional) program is \$1,911 per month. The resource limit is \$2,000 as of the first day of the month. Please see the "Medicaid for the Elderly and Disabled" handout for detailed information.

Home and Community Based Waivers:

The income limits for these waivers are as follows:

Elderly and Disabled Waiver is \$1,911 per month.

Independent Living Waiver is \$1,911 per month.

Mentally Retarded Waiver is \$1,911 per month.

HIV/AIDS Waiver is \$1,911 per month.

Living at Home Waiver is \$657 per month. (Persons must be receiving SSI.)

Technology Assisted Waiver is \$1,911 per month.

The resource limit for these waivers is \$2,000 per month.

QMB or Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (will change 02/2008):

Income cannot exceed \$871 per month for an individual.

Income cannot exceed \$1,161 per month for a couple.

SLMB or Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiary (will change 02/2008):

Income cannot exceed \$1,041 per month for an individual.

Income cannot exceed \$1,389 per month for a couple.

QI-1 or Qualified Individual (will change 02/2008):

Income cannot exceed \$1,169 per month for an individual.

Income cannot exceed \$1,561 per month for a couple.

NOTE: The resource limits do not apply for these programs. If both spouses are on Medicare, their combined income cannot exceed the couple income limit. If only one spouse has Medicare, then the Medicare spouse who is applying can have income of no more that the individual limit <u>and</u> the income of both spouses combined can be no more than the couple limit.

SOBRA Medicaid (Pregnant Women and Children under 6 years of age) - 133% of federal poverty level (will change 02/2008):

Income after deductions cannot exceed \$1,132 per month for a family of 1 Income after deductions cannot exceed \$1,518 per month for a family of 2 Income after deductions cannot exceed \$1,904 per month for a family of 3 Income after deductions cannot exceed \$2,289 per month for a family of 4

SOBRA Medicaid (Children 6 to 19 years of age) – 100% of federal poverty level (will change 02/2008):

Income after deductions cannot exceed \$851 per month for a family of 1 Income after deductions cannot exceed \$1,141 per month for a family of 2 Income after deductions cannot exceed \$1,431 per month for a family of 3 Income after deductions cannot exceed \$1,721 per month for a family of 4

Medicaid for Low Income Families:

Income after deductions cannot exceed \$111 per month for a family of 1 Income after deductions cannot exceed \$137 per month for a family of 2 Income after deductions cannot exceed \$164 per month for a family of 3 Income after deductions cannot exceed \$194 per month for a family of 4

(Please see the eligibility requirements for <u>SOBRA/MLIF</u> (<u>Medicaid for Low Income Families</u>) for family sizes over 4.)

NOTE: Certain deductions, such as \$90 work deduction per wage earner, dependent care costs and \$50 per household for child support received, may be deducted from the gross income to determine the net income amount for the SOBRA and MLIF programs.

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