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Groups Covered

B. Optional Groups Other Than the Medically Needy
(Continued)

1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XIII) of the Act

23. BBA Work Incentives Eligibility Group - Individuals with a disability whose net family income is below 250 percent of the Federal poverty level for a family of the size involved and who, except for earned income, meet all criteria for receiving benefits under the SSI program.
See page 12c of Attachment 2.6-A.

1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XV) of the Act

24. TWWIIA Basic Coverage Group - Individuals with a disability at least 16 but less than 65 years of age whose income and resources do not exceed a standard established by the State.
See page 12d of Attachment 2.6-A.

1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XVI) of the Act

25. TWWIIA Medical Improvement Group - Employed individuals at least 16 but less than 65 years of age with a medically improved disability whose income and resources do not exceed a standard established by the State.
See page 12h of Attachment 2.6A.

NOTE: If the State elects cover this group, it MUST also cover the eligibility group described in No. 24 above.

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LESS RESTRICTIVE METHODS OF TREATING INCOME
UNDER SECTION 1902(r)(2) OF THE ACT

For the SSI-related groups authorized under Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IV), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV), 1902(a)(10)(C), 1902(a)(10)(E)(i), 1902(a)(10)(E)(iii), 1902(a)(10)(E)(iv), and 1905(p) of the Social Security Act, the following more liberal methodologies apply:

1. All in-kind income is excluded.
2. Training allowances and expenses are excluded as countable income.
3. Educational work-study earnings, stipends, and reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses are excluded as countable income.
4. Payments received under a crime victims compensation program are excluded as countable income.
5. Interest income accrued to bank accounts is excluded as countable income.
6. All grants, loans, scholarships, fellowships, and training allowances for educational purposes and all educational expenses while in attendance are excluded as countable income.
7. All charitable contributions received are excluded as countable income.
8. Infrequent or irregular unearned income is excluded up to \$200 per 6 months, and earned income is excluded up to \$30 per quarter.
9. Room and/or board income received from a person living in the assistance unit's home is excluded.
10. For consideration of rental property income and self-employment income, deduct 50% from the gross earnings as the cost to produce.

For the AFDC-related groups authorized under Sections 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III), 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV), 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VI), 1902(a)(10)(A)(VII), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IX), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIV), and 1902(a)(10)(C) of the Social Security Act, the following more liberal methodology applies:

1. Earned income of the child less than 18 years old is excluded.
2. All in-kind income is excluded.
3. All loans are excluded as countable income, regardless of whether the person is receiving money as the borrower or the lender.
4. Training allowances and expenses are excluded as countable income.
5. Educational work-study earnings, stipends, and reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses are excluded as countable income.
6. Payments received under a crime victims' compensation program are excluded as countable income.
7. Interest income accrued to bank accounts is excluded.
8. All grants, loans, scholarships, fellowships and trainings allowances for educational purposes and all educational expenses are excluded as countable income.
9. All charitable contributions received are excluded as countable income.
10. Infrequent or irregular unearned income is excluded up to \$200 per 6 months, and earned income is excluded up to \$30 per quarter.
11. For consideration of room and/or board income, rental property income, and self-employment income, deduct 50% from the gross earnings as the cost to produce.
12. Disregard up to \$200 per month per child in child care expenses for an assistance unit member who works 100 or more hours per month. Disregard up to \$100 per month if the member works less than 100 hours per month.

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LESS RESTRICTIVE METHODS OF TREATING RESOURCES
UNDER SECTION 1902(r)(2) OF THE ACT

For the SSI-related groups authorized under Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IV), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(V), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV), 1902(a)(10)(C), 1902(a)(10)(E)(i), 1902(a)(10)(E)(iii), 1902(a)(10)(E)(iv), and 1905(p) of the Social Security Act, the following more liberal methodologies apply:

1. Any vehicle regardless of the value is excluded as a countable resource, except for airplanes, recreational vehicles, boats and their trailers, and antique cars which are not the assistance unit's primary vehicle.
2. Exclude as a countable resource all irrevocable or revocable burial or funeral plans which specify that a funeral home will receive all proceeds. Exclude other liquid resources designated for burial/funeral up to \$1,500.
3. Exclude income-producing property as a countable resource if it annually produces income consistent with the fair market value.
4. Exclude household goods and personal effects, except for luxury items or valuable collections (e.g., antiques, stamp or coin collection, expensive jewelry other than wedding rings, fur coats).

For the AFDC-related groups authorized under Sections 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III), 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV), 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VI), 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VII), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IX), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIV), and 1902(a)(10)(C), as further defined at Sections 1905(a)(i), (ii), and (viii), of the Social Security Act, the following more liberal methodologies apply:

1. All resources are disregarded.

For the SSI-related groups authorized under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV) of the Social Security Act, the following more liberal methodologies apply:

1. Exclude as a countable resource all retirement and pension plans except IRA accounts.
2. Exclude liquid resources up to \$10,000.

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1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)
(XIII) of the Act

(i) Working Individuals With Disabilities -BBA

In determining countable income and resources for working individuals with disabilities under BBA, the following methodologies are applied:

- _____ The methodologies of the SSI program.
- _____ The agency uses methodologies for treatment of income and resources more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 4 (income) and Supplement 5 (resources) to Attachment 2.6-A.
- _____ The agency uses more liberal income and/or resource than the SSI program. More liberal methodologies are described in Supplement 8a to attachment 2.6-A. More liberal resource methodologies are described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.

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1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XV) of the Act

(ii) Working Individuals with Disabilities -
Basic Coverage Group - TWWIIA

In determining financial eligibility for working individuals with disabilities under this provision, The following standards and methodologies are applied:

The agency does not apply any income or resource standard.

NOTE: If the above option is chosen, no further eligibility-related options should be elected.

The agency applies the following income and/or resource standard(s):

The total countable earned and unearned net income is 300% of FPL.

Countable resources attributed to the assistance unit may not exceed \$10,000.

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1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XV) of the Act (cont.)

Income Methodologies

In determining whether an individual meets the income standard described above, the agency uses the following methodologies.

The income methodologies of the SSI program.

The agency uses methodologies for treatment of income that are more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 4 to Attachment 2.6 – A.

The agency uses more liberal income methodologies than the SSI program. More liberal income methodologies are described in Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A.

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1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XV) of the Act (cont.)

Resource Methodologies

In determining whether the individual meets the resource standard described above, the agency uses the following methodologies.

Unless one of the following items is checked, the agency, under the authority of 1902(r)(2) of the Act, disregards all funds held in retirement funds and accounts, including private retirement accounts such as IRAs and other individual accounts, and employer-sponsored retirement plans such as 401(k) plans, Keogh plans, and employer pension plans. Any disregard involving retirement accounts is separately described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.

The agency disregards funds held in employer-sponsored retirement plans, but not private retirement plans.

The agency disregards funds in retirement accounts in a manner other than those described above. The agency's disregards are specified in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.

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The agency does not disregard funds in retirement accounts.

The agency uses resource methodologies in addition to any indicated above that are more liberal than those used by the SSI program. More liberal resource methodologies are described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.

The agency uses the resource methodologies of the SSI Program.

The agency uses methodologies for treatment of resources that are more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 5 to Attachment 2.6-A.

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(ii)(XVI) of the Act

(ii) Working Individuals with Disabilities -
Employed Medically Improved Individuals -
TWWIIA

In determining financial eligibility for employed medically improved individuals under this provision, the following standards and methodologies are applied:

_____ The agency does not apply any income or resource standard.

NOTE: If the above option is chosen, no further eligibility-related options should be elected.

_____ The agency applies the following income and/or resource standard(s):

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1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XVI) of the Act (cont.)

Income Methodologies

In determining whether an individual meets the income standard described above, the agency uses the following methodologies.

_____ The income methodologies of the SSI program.

_____ The agency uses methodologies for treatment of income that are more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 4 to Attachment 2.6-A.

_____ The agency uses more liberal income methodologies than the SSI program. More liberal income methodologies are described in Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A.

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(ii)(XVI) of the Act (cont.)

Resource Methodologies

In determining whether the individual meets the resource standard described above, the agency uses the following methodologies.

Unless one of the following items are checked, the agency, under the authority of 1902(r)(2) of the Act, disregards all funds held in retirement funds and accounts, including private retirement accounts such as IRAs and other individual accounts, and employer-sponsored retirement plans such as 401(k) plans, Keogh plans, and employer pension plans. Any disregard involving retirement accounts is separately described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.

_____ The agency disregards funds held in employer-sponsored retirement plans, but not private retirement plans.

_____ The agency disregards funds in retirement accounts in a manner other than those described above. The agency's disregards are specified in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.

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1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XVI) of the Act (cont.)

- _____ The agency does not disregard funds in retirement accounts.
- _____ The agency uses resource methodologies in addition to any indicated above that are more liberal than those used by the SSI program. More liberal resource methodologies are described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.
- _____ The agency uses the resource methodologies of the SSI Program.
- _____ The agency uses methodologies for treatment of resources that are more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 5 to Attachment 2.6-A.

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1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XVI) and 1905(v)(2)
of the Act.

Definition of Employed – Employed Medically
Improved Individuals – TWWIIA

_____ The agency uses the statutory definition of “employed”, i.e., earning at least the minimum wage, and working at least 40 hours per month.

_____ The agency uses an alternative definition of “employed” that provides for substantial and reasonable threshold criteria for hours of work, wages, or other measures. The agency’s threshold criteria is described below:

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1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII)
(XV), (XVI), and 1916(g)
of the Act

Payment of Premiums or Other Cost Sharing Charges

For individuals eligible under the BBA eligibility group described in No. 23 on page 23e of Attachment 2.2-A:

_____ The agency requires payment of premiums or other cost-sharing charges on a sliding scale based on income. The premiums or other cost-sharing charges, and how they are applied are described below:

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1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)
(XIII), (XV),, and 1916(g)
of the Act (cont.)

For individuals eligible under the Basic Coverage Group described in No. 24 on page 23e of Attachment 2.2-A:

NOTE: Regardless of the option selected below, the agency MUST require that individuals whose annual adjusted gross income, as defined under IRS statute, exceeds \$75,000 pay 100 percent of premiums.

X The agency requires individuals to pay premiums or other cost-sharing charges on a sliding scale based on income. For individuals with net annual income below 450 percent of the Federal poverty level for a family of the size involved, the amount of premiums cannot exceed 7.5 percent of the individual's income.

The premiums or other cost-sharing charges, and how they are applied are described on page 12o.

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Sections 1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XV), and 1916(g)
of the Act (cont.)

Premiums and Other Cost-Sharing Charges

For the Basic Coverage Group, the agency's premium and other cost-sharing charges, and how they are applied, are described below.

There are four income tiers for Employed Individuals with Disabilities. There is no premium amount for income which is at or below 100% of FPL; a monthly premium of \$25 applied to income above 100% FPL but at or below 200% ; a monthly premium of \$40 applied to income above 200% FPL but at or below 250% FPL ; and a monthly premium of \$55 for income above 250% but at or below 300% FPL.

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