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Package Information

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Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services

July 13, 2020

Jami Snyder
Director
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Re: Approval of State Plan Amendment AZ-19-0023

Dear Jami Snyder:

On December 17, 2019, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) received Arizona State Plan Amendment (SPA) AZ-19-0023 to modify the eligibility groups for which the disregard for temporary Census Bureau employment income is applied..

We approve Arizona State Plan Amendment (SPA) AZ-19-0023 on July 13, 2020 with an effective date(s) of October 01, 2019.

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If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Brian Zolynas at brian.zolynas@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,
James G. Scott
Director, Division of Program
Operations
Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services

RAI

CMS is issuing this Request for Additional Information (RAI) pursuant to Section 1915(f) of the Social Security Act (added by P.L. 97-35). This request has the effect of stopping the 90-day time period for CMS to act on the material. A new 90-day time frame will not begin until we receive your response to this request.

In accordance with our guidelines to all State Medicaid directors dated January 2, 2001, and subsequently reiterated in the August 16, 2018 Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services Informational Bulletin, if a response to a formal request for additional information from CMS is not received from the state within 90 days of issuance, CMS will initiate disapproval of the SPA or waiver action.

In addition, because this amendment was submitted after January 2, 2001 and is effective after January 1, 2001, please be advised that we will defer federal financial participation (FFP) for state payments made in accordance with this amendment until it is approved. Upon approval, FFP will be available for the period beginning with the effective date through the date of approval.

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Authority Eligibility

State AZ

Agency Name AHCCCS

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All Questions

Question ID ↑	Reference	CMS question to the State	Policy/Regulation	State Response
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Question ID ↑	Reference	CMS question to the State	Policy/Regulation	State Response
1	Individuals Deemed to Be Receiving SSI	Arizona had previously expressed an interest in applying the proposed census wages disregard to "Individuals Deemed to Be Receiving SSI." Because the financial methodologies for deemed SSI recipients are necessarily aligned with SSI methodologies, states cannot apply less restrictive methods. For the purposes of this SPA, Arizona is welcome to include the RU in the package, but we want to be clear that deemed SSI recipients cannot receive any disregards.	Social Security Act Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(II)(aa)	Please see RU
2	Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries	Please check YES for the statement located at subpart B.3. within the "Financial Methodologies" portion of this RU. In addition to including the new census income disregard, the state should also add all income and resource disregards it already applies to this group.	Social Security Act Section 1902(a)(10)(E)(i)	Please see RU
3	Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries	Please check YES for the statement located at subpart B.3. within the "Financial Methodologies" portion of this RU. In addition to including the new census income disregard, the state should also add all income and resource disregards it already applies to this group.	Social Security Act Section 1902(a)(10)(E)(iii)	Please see RU
4	Qualifying Individuals	Please check YES for the statement located at subpart B.3. within the "Financial Methodologies" portion of this RU. In addition to including the new census income disregard, the state should also add all income and resource disregards it already applies to this group.	Social Security Act Section 1902(a)(10)(E)(iv)	Please see RU

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5	Optional Eligibility Group Coverage	<p>Within the "Optional Eligibility Groups" RU, please check the boxes in the column named "Covered in State Plan" for all relevant optional eligibility groups that the state currently covers in the state plan. The state does not need to change its selections for the groups affected by this SPA (Individuals Eligible For but Not Receiving Cash Assistance, Ticket to Work Basic, and Ticket to Work Medical Improvements) because the correct boxes have already been checked for those groups.</p>	42 CFR 435.10(b)	Please see RU
6	Individuals Eligible for But Not Receiving Cash Assistance	<p>Please check YES for the statement located at subpart C.4. within the "Financial Methodologies" portion of this RU.</p> <p>In addition to including the new census income disregard, the state should also add all income and resource disregards it already applies to this group.</p>	Social Security Act Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I)	Please see RU
7	Ticket to Work Basic	<p>In addition to the new census disregard, please add all income and resource disregards Arizona currently applies to the "Ticket to Work Basic" group. The state should also add the following language to the Additional Information section of this RU: "Requirements for premiums and cost sharing for this group are found in the premium and cost sharing sections as well as page 12o of Attachment 2.6-A of the state plan."</p>	Social Security Act Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV)	Please see RU

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8	Ticket to Work Medical Improvements	<p>According to the current state plan pages, Arizona is using an alternative definition of "employed" for individuals qualifying in this group (see p. 12l of Attachment 2.6-A). Is the sstate presently applying this alternative definition? If so, the state should indicate this within the "Characteristics" portion, Section A.4., of the Reviewable Unit.</p> <p>In addition to the new census disregard, please add all income and resource disregards Arizona currently applies to the "Ticket to Work Medical Improvements" group. The state should also add the following language to the Additional Information section of the RU: "Requirements for premiums and cost sharing for this group are found in the premium and cost sharing sections as well as page 12o of Attachment 2.6-A of the state plan."</p>	Social Security Act Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVI)	Please see RU

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Submission Package was updated by the State in accordance with the response above

- Yes
 No

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Medicaid Agency Name: AHCCCS

Submission Component

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Reviewable Unit	Proposed Effective Date	Superseded SPA ID
Eligibility Determinations of Individuals Age 65 or Older or Who Have Blindness or a Disability	10/1/2019	NEW
Non-MAGI Methodologies	10/1/2019	NEW
Mandatory Eligibility Groups	10/1/2019	NEW
Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries	10/1/2019	AZ 19-006
Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries	10/1/2019	AZ 19-006
Qualifying Individuals	10/1/2019	AZ 19-006
Optional Eligibility Groups	10/1/2019	NEW
Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance	10/1/2019	AZ 19-006
Ticket to Work Basic	10/1/2019	AZ 19-006
Ticket to Work Medical Improvements	10/1/2019	AZ 19-006

Page Number of the Superseded Plan Section or Attachment (If Applicable):

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Executive Summary

Summary Description Including Goals and Objectives Updates the eligibility groups identified in the State Plan for which wages related to Census activities are excluded.

Federal Budget Impact and Statute/Regulation Citation

Federal Budget Impact

	Federal Fiscal Year	Amount
First	2020	\$0
Second	2021	\$0

Federal Statute / Regulation Citation

Social Security Act §1902(r)(2)

Supporting documentation of budget impact is uploaded (optional).

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Governor's Office Review

- No comment
- Comments received
- No response within 45 days
- Other

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
- Public notice was not federally required, but comment was solicited
- Public notice was federally required and comment was solicited

Indicate how public comment was solicited:

- Newspaper Announcement
- Publication in state's administrative record, in accordance with the administrative procedures requirements
- Email to Electronic Mailing List or Similar Mechanism
- Website Notice

Select the type of website

- Website of the State Medicaid Agency or Responsible Agency


Date of Posting: Jul 11, 2019

Website URL: <https://www.azahcccs.gov/AHCCCS/PublicNotices/Census-Temporary-Wage-Exemption-SPA.html>

- Website for State Regulations
- Other

- Public Hearing or Meeting
- Other method

Upload copies of public notices and other documents used

Name	Date Created	
Census Wages SPA	11/15/2019 12:13 PM EST	

Upload with this application a written summary of public comments received (optional)

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No items available		

Indicate the key issues raised during the public comment period (optional)

- Access
- Quality
- Cost
- Payment methodology
- Eligibility
- Benefits
- Service delivery
- Other issue

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

- The state has solicited advice from Indian Health Programs and/or Urban Indian Organizations, as required by section 1902(a)(73) of the Social Security Act, and in accordance with the state consultation plan, prior to submission of this SPA.

Complete the following information regarding any solicitation of advice and/or tribal consultation conducted with respect to this submission:

Solicitation of advice and/or Tribal consultation was conducted in the following manner:


- All Indian Health Programs
 All Urban Indian Organizations

States are not required to consult with Indian tribal governments, but if such consultation was conducted voluntarily, provide information about such consultation below:

- All Indian Tribes

Date of consultation:	Method of consultation:
7/11/2019	Public meeting

The state must upload copies of documents that support the solicitation of advice in accordance with statutory requirements, including any notices sent to Indian Health Programs and/or Urban Indian Organizations, as well as attendee lists if face-to-face meetings were held. Also upload documents with comments received from Indian Health Programs or Urban Indian Organizations and the state's responses to any issues raised. Alternatively indicate the key issues and summarize any comments received below and describe how the state incorporated them into the design of its program.

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Tribal Consultation 7.11.19- SPA Updates_MA Edits_V1	11/15/2019 12:22 PM EST	

Indicate the key issues raised (optional)

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Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

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.

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)

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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.

Non-MAGI Methodologies

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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

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

Non-MAGI Methodologies

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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.

- Yes
 No

Non-MAGI Methodologies

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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.

Non-MAGI Methodologies

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G. Additional Information (optional)

Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	CONVERTED
Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	CONVERTED
Pregnant Women		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	CONVERTED
Deemed Newborns		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Children with Title IV-E Adoption Assistance, Foster Care or Guardianship Care		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Former Foster Care Children		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Transitional Medical Assistance		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Extended Medicaid due to Spousal Support Collections		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Closed Eligibility Groups		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Deemed To Be Receiving SSI		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Working Individuals under 1619(b)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	APPROVED
Qualified Disabled and Working Individuals		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	APPROVED

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type ?
Qualifying Individuals		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	APPROVED

Mandatory Eligibility Groups

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

Yes No

Families and Adults

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type ?
Adult Group		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	CONVERTED

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 - Mandatory Coverage

Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries

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Individuals with income equal to or less than 100% of the FPL, who are entitled to Medicare Part A, and who qualify for Medicare cost-sharing.

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The state covers the mandatory qualified Medicare beneficiaries group in accordance with the following provisions:

A. Characteristics

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

1. Are entitled to hospital insurance benefits under part A of title XVIII (Medicare Part A), including individuals who have purchased a premium to enroll in Part A.
2. Have income and resources at or below the standard for this group.

Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries

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B. Financial Methodologies

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

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

- Yes
- No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

- Income from household members is disregarded.
 - Income of the spouse is disregarded.
 - Income of parents is disregarded.

Description: For an applicant or recipient living with a spouse, the computation rules for an eligible couple shall be followed, even when the spouse is not eligible for or applying for SSI or Medicaid benefits.

For a couple living with a child** (or children), a deduction from the combined net income of the couple shall be allowed as an allocation for each child using the methodology described in 20 CFR 416.1163(b)(1) and (2) regardless of whether the child is ineligible or eligible. The child's allocation is reduced by that child's income [20CFR 416.1161(c)], including public income-maintenance payments.

For an applicant/recipient not living with a spouse but living with his or her child** (or children), a deduction from the individual's net income shall be allowed as an allocation for each child using the methodology described in 20 CFR 416.1163(b)(1) and (2), regardless of whether the child is ineligible or eligible. The child's allocation is reduced by that child's income [20 CFR 416.1161(c)], including public income-maintenance payments.

Description: For an applicant/recipient who is a child, the deemed income from an ineligible parent shall allow an allocation for both eligible and ineligible children of the parent(s) using the methodology described in 20 CFR 416.1165(b). The child's allocation is reduced by that child's income [20 CFR 416.1161 (c)], including public income-maintenance payments.

Description of disregard: All temp. wages from conducting the census are disregarded.

Description of disregard: Interest and dividend income from resources excluded under Section 1613(a) of the Social Security Act shall be disregarded.

Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

Dividends are disregarded.

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

Yes

No

The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

All resources are disregarded. No resource test is applied.

Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries

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C. Income Standard Used

The amount of the income standard for this group is 100% FPL.

D. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard is the same used to determine eligibility for the Medicare Part D full-benefit low-income subsidy (LIS) (but without regard to the life insurance policy exclusion applied in LIS resource eligibility determinations). This standard is three times the SSI resource standard, adjusted annually in accordance with the consumer price index.

E. Medical Assistance Provided

Medical assistance is limited to payment of co-insurance and deductibles for Medicare Parts A, B and C and payment for the premiums for Medicare Parts A and B.

Medical assistance begins the first day of the month following the month in which the individual is determined to qualify for this eligibility group.

Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries

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F. Additional Information (optional)

Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

Eligibility Groups - Mandatory Coverage

Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries

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Individuals with income above 100% and below 120% of the FPL who are entitled to Medicare Part A, who qualify for payment of Medicare Part B premiums.

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The state covers the mandatory specified low income Medicare beneficiaries group in accordance with the following provisions:

A. Characteristics

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

1. Would qualify as Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (described in section 1905(p)(1) of the Act), except that their income exceeds the income level for that eligibility group.
2. Have income below the income standard and resources at or below the resource standard for this group.

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B. Financial Methodologies

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

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

- Yes
 No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

- Income from household members is disregarded.
- Income of the spouse is disregarded.
 - Income of parents is disregarded.

Description: For an applicant or recipient living with a spouse, the computation rules for an eligible couple shall be followed, even when the spouse is not eligible for or applying for SSI or Medicaid benefits.

For a couple living with a child** (or children), a deduction from the combined net income of the couple shall be allowed as an allocation for each child using the methodology described in 20 CFR 416.1163(b)(1) and (2) regardless of whether the child is ineligible or eligible. The child's allocation is reduced by that child's income [20CFR 416.1161(c)], including public income-maintenance payments.

For an applicant/recipient not living with a spouse but living with his or her child** (or children), a deduction from the individual's net income shall be allowed as an allocation for each child using the methodology described in 20 CFR 416.1163(b)(1) and (2), regardless of whether the child is ineligible or eligible. The child's allocation is reduced by that child's income [20 CFR 416.1161(c)], including public income-maintenance payments.

Description: For an applicant/recipient who is a child, the deemed income from an ineligible parent shall allow an allocation for both eligible and ineligible children of the parent(s) using the methodology described in 20 CFR 416.1165(b). The child's allocation is reduced by that child's income [20 CFR 416.1161(c)], including public income-maintenance payments.

Description of disregard: All temp. wages from conducting the census are disregarded.

Description of disregard: Interest and dividend income from resources excluded under Section 1613(a) of the Social Security Act shall be disregarded.

Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

Dividends are disregarded.

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

Yes

No

The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

All resources are disregarded. No resource test is applied.

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C. Income Standard Used

Family income must be above 100% FPL and below 120% FPL.

D. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard is the same used to determine eligibility for the Medicare Part D full-benefit low-income subsidy (LIS) (but without regard to the life insurance policy exclusion applied in LIS resource eligibility determinations). This standard is three times the SSI resource standard, adjusted annually in accordance with the consumer price index.

E. Medical Assistance Provided

Medical assistance is limited to payment for Medicare Part B premiums.

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F. Additional Information (optional)

Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

Eligibility Groups - Mandatory Coverage

Qualifying Individuals

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Individuals with income at or above 120% and below 135% of the FPL who are entitled to Medicare Part A, who qualify for payment of Medicare Part B premiums.

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The state covers the mandatory qualifying individuals group in accordance with the following provisions:

A. Characteristics

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

1. Would qualify as Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (described in section 1905(p)(1) of the Act), except that their income exceeds the income level for that eligibility group.
2. Are not otherwise eligible for Medicaid under the state plan.
3. Have income below the income standard and resources at or below the resource standard for this group.

Qualifying Individuals

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B. Financial Methodologies

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

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

- Yes
- No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

- Income from household members is disregarded.
 - Income of the spouse is disregarded.
 - Income of parents is disregarded.

Description: For an applicant or recipient living with a spouse, the computation rules for an eligible couple shall be followed, even when the spouse is not eligible for or applying for SSI or Medicaid benefits.

For a couple living with a child** (or children), a deduction from the combined net income of the couple shall be allowed as an allocation for each child using the methodology described in 20 CFR 416.1163(b)(1) and (2) regardless of whether the child is ineligible or eligible. The child's allocation is reduced by that child's income [20CFR 416.1161(c)], including public income-maintenance payments.

For an applicant/recipient not living with a spouse but living with his or her child** (or children), a deduction from the individual's net income shall be allowed as an allocation for each child using the methodology described in 20 CFR 416.1163(b)(1) and (2), regardless of whether the child is ineligible or eligible. The child's allocation is reduced by that child's income [20 CFR 416.1161(c)], including public income-maintenance payments.

Description: For an applicant/recipient who is a child, the deemed income from an ineligible parent shall allow an allocation for both eligible and ineligible children of the parent(s) using the methodology described in 20 CFR 416.1165(b). The child's allocation is reduced by that child's income [20 CFR 416.1161(c)], including public income-maintenance payments.

Description of disregard: All temp. wages from conducting the census are disregarded.

Description of disregard: Interest and dividend income from resources excluded under Section 1613(a) of the Social Security Act shall be disregarded.

Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

Dividends are disregarded.

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

Yes

No

The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

All resources are disregarded. No resource test is applied.

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C. Income Standard Used

Family income must be at or above 120% FPL and below 135% FPL.

D. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard is the same used to determine eligibility for the Medicare Part D full-benefit low-income subsidy (LIS) (but without regard to the life insurance policy exclusion applied in LIS resource eligibility determinations). This standard is three times the SSI resource standard, adjusted annually in accordance with the consumer price index.

E. Medical Assistance Provided

Medical assistance is limited to payment for Medicare Part B premiums.

Qualifying Individuals

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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 paper-based 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		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Children with Non-IV-E Adoption Assistance		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	CONVERTED
Independent Foster Care Adolescents		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	CONVERTED
Optional Targeted Low Income Children		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals above 133% FPL under Age 65		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Needing Treatment for Breast or Cervical Cancer		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Eligible for Family Planning Services		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals with Tuberculosis		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Electing COBRA Continuation Coverage		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	APPROVED

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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Receiving Home and Community- Based Waiver Services under Institutional Rules		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals in Institutions Eligible under a Special Income Level		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
PACE Participants		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Receiving Hospice		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Children under Age 19 with a Disability		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Age and Disability-Related Poverty Level		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Work Incentives		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Ticket to Work Basic		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	APPROVED
Ticket to Work Medical Improvements		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	APPROVED
Family Opportunity Act Children with a Disability		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Receiving State Plan Home and Community-Based Services		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Receiving State Plan Home and Community-Based Services Who Are Otherwise Eligible for HCBS Waivers		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW

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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

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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

Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance

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Individuals who are eligible for but not receiving federal cash assistance or an optional state supplement.

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The state covers the optional Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

A. Characteristics

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

1. Meet the eligibility requirements of at least one of the following cash assistance programs:

- a. SSI
- b. Optional State Supplement
- c. AFDC

2. Do not receive cash assistance under these programs.

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B. Individuals Covered

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

- Yes
- No

Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance

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C. Financial Methodologies

1. In calculating household income and resources for individuals who are seeking eligibility on the basis of being age 65 or older or having blindness or disability, SSI methodologies are used. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.

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

Yes

No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

Income from household members is disregarded.

Income of the spouse is disregarded.

Description: For an applicant or recipient living with a spouse, the computation rules for an eligible couple shall be followed, even when the spouse is not eligible for or applying for SSI or Medicaid benefits.

For a couple living with a child** (or children), a deduction from the combined net income of the couple shall be allowed as an allocation for each child using the methodology described in 20 CFR 416.1163(b)(1) and (2) regardless of whether the child is ineligible or eligible. The child's allocation is reduced by that child's income [20CFR 416.1161(c)], including public income-maintenance payments.

For an applicant/recipient not living with a spouse but living with his or her child** (or children), a deduction from the individual's net income shall be allowed as an allocation for each child using the methodology described in 20 CFR 416.1163(b)(1) and (2), regardless of whether the child is ineligible or eligible. The child's allocation is reduced by that child's income [20 CFR 416.1161(c)], including public income-maintenance payments.

Income of parents is disregarded.

Description: For an applicant/recipient who is a child, the deemed income from an ineligible parent shall allow an allocation for both eligible and ineligible children of the parent(s) using the methodology described in 20 CFR 416.1165(b). The child's allocation is reduced by that child's income [20 CFR 416.1161(c)], including public income-maintenance payments.

Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

Description of disregard: All temp. wages from conducting the census are disregarded.

Dividends are disregarded.

Description of disregard: Interest and dividend income from resources excluded under Section 1613(a) of the Social Security Act shall be disregarded.

The following less restrictive methodologies are used:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Eligible for but not receiving cash assistance	<p>Except for ALTCS eligibility, including individuals approved for ALTCS acute care services under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) of the Act, the following income method applies to aged, blind or disabled individuals covered under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) of the Act.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The State shall disregard the amount equal to the difference between 100% of the Federal poverty guidelines (as revised annually in the Federal Register) for an individual or a couple and the corresponding Federal Benefit Rate. (The disregard shall be applied by using 100% of the FPL for an individual or a couple as the income standard.) When applying this disregard, if the individual or the individual's spouse has earned income, the \$20 and \$65 disregards shall apply according to SSI methodology, but not one-half of the remainder. If ineligible because the one-half of the remainder disregard is not allowed, eligibility shall also be determined using the FBR as the income standard for the individual or couple, allowing the \$20, \$65, and one-half of the remainder disregard according to SSI methodology.In determining the income of an individual who is receiving Title II (Social Security) income, the State shall disregard the amount attributable to the cost of living increase in the level of monthly income payable pursuant to section 215(i) of the Act, from January until the State implements the Federal Poverty Guideline for the current year.

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

Yes

No

The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

All resources are disregarded. No resource test is applied.

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D. Income Standard Used

The income standard used is the standard of the most closely related cash assistance program.

E. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard used is the standard of the most closely related cash assistance program.

Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance

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F. Additional Information (optional)

Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

Eligibility Groups - Options for Coverage

Ticket to Work Basic

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Individuals between ages 16 and 64 with a disability, who have earned income.

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The state covers the optional Ticket to Work basic eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

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A. Characteristics

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

1. Are at least age 16 but less than 65 years of age.
2. Have earned income.
3. But for earned income, meet the SSI definition of disability.
4. Have income and resources that do not exceed the standards established by the state.

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B. 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

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

- Income from household members is disregarded.
 - Income of the spouse is disregarded.

Description: The State shall disregard the earned and unearned income of the spouse and/or any other family members including a deduction for a minor child.

- The total amount of unearned income is disregarded.

Description of disregard: The State shall disregard the unearned income of the applicant/recipient.

- Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

Description of disregard: All temp. wages from conducting the census are disregarded.

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

- Yes
- No

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C. Income Standard Used

The income standard for this group is:

- 1. No income standard
- 2. A percentage of the federal poverty level:
- 3. A percentage of the SSI Federal Benefit Rate:
- 4. A dollar amount
- 5. Other

FPL 250.00%

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D. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard for this group is:

- 1. No resource standard
- 2. SSI resource standard
- 4. A dollar amount higher than the SSI resource standard

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E. Premiums and Cost Sharing

Requirements for premiums and cost sharing for this group are found in the premium and cost sharing sections of the state plan.

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F. Additional Information (optional)

Requirements for premiums and cost sharing for this group are found in the premium and cost sharing sections as well as page 12o of Attachment 2.6A of the state plan.

Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

Eligibility Groups - Options for Coverage

Ticket to Work Medical Improvements

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Employed individuals between ages 16 and 64 who are no longer disabled but still have a medical impairment.

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The state covers the optional Ticket to Work medical improvements eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

A. Characteristics

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

1. Are at least age 16 but less than 65 years of age.
2. Lost eligibility for the Ticket to Work basic eligibility group because it was determined at a regular disability review that they no longer meet the disability criteria.
3. Continue to have a severe medically determinable impairment.
4. Are employed, using the following definition:
 - a. Earning at least the minimum wage and working at least 40 hours per month.
 - b. An alternative definition

Description of criteria: 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 are described below;

Earns at least the minimum wage and works at least 40 hours per month, or

Has gross monthly earnings at least equal to those earned by an individual who is earning the minimum wage and working 40 hours per month.

5. Have income and resources that do not exceed the standards established by the state.

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B. 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

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

- Income from household members is disregarded.
- Income of the spouse is disregarded.
- The total amount of unearned income is disregarded.
- Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

Description: The State shall disregard the earned and unearned income of the spouse and/or any other family members including a deduction for a minor child.

Description of disregard: The State shall disregard the unearned income of the applicant/recipient.

Description of disregard: All temp. wages from conducting the census are disregarded.

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

- Yes
 No

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C. Income Standard Used

The income standard for this group is:

- 1. No income standard
- 2. A percentage of the federal poverty level:
250.00% FPL
- 3. A percentage of the SSI Federal Benefit Rate:
- 4. A dollar amount
- 5. Other

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D. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard for this group is:

- 1. No resource standard
- 2. SSI resource standard
- 4. A dollar amount higher than the SSI resource standard

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E. Premiums and Cost Sharing

Requirements for premiums and cost sharing for this group are found in the premium and cost sharing sections of the state plan.

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F. Additional Information (optional)

Requirements for premiums and cost sharing for this group are found in the premium and cost sharing sections as well as page 12o of Attachment 2.6A of the state plan.

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