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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Medicaid & Chip Operations Group 601 E. 12th Street Room 355 Kansas City, MO 64106

### **Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services**

September 26, 2025

Andrea Barton Reeves Commissioner DSS 55 Farmington Avenue Hartford, CT 06105

Re: Approval of State Plan Amendment CT-25-0019

Dear Andrea Barton Reeves,

On June 30, 2025, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) received Connecticut State Plan Amendment (SPA) CT-25-0019, in which the state proposed to update the income and resource standards for its working disability groups.

We approve Connecticut State Plan Amendment (SPA) CT-25-0019 with an effective date(s) of April 01, 2025.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Marie DiMartino at marie.dimartino@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Nicole McKnight

On Behalf of Courtney Miller, MCOG

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State/Territory Name: Connecticut Medicaid Agency Name: DSS

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# **Executive Summary**

Summary Description Including Proposed SPA made changes to the MED-Connect eligibility income and asset limit thresholds effective April 1, 2025.

Goals and Objectives

# Federal Budget Impact and Statute/Regulation Citation

### **Federal Budget Impact**

	Federal Fiscal Year	Amount
First	2025	\$141262
Second	2026	\$2643137

#### Federal Statute / Regulation Citation

Social Security Act sections1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVI), 1905(v)(1),1905(v)(2), 1916(g), 1902(r)(2). State statute Sec. 64. Section 17b-597. 42 CFR § 435.601, 42 CFR § 436.601.

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

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# **Medicaid State Plan Eligibility**

# **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				NEW
Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21				NEW
Children with Non-IV-E Adoption Assistance				CONVERTED
Independent Foster Care Adolescents				CONVERTED
Optional Targeted Low Income Children				NEW
Individuals above 133% FPL under Age 65				NEW
Individuals Needing Treatment for Breast or Cervical Cancer				NEW
Individuals Eligible for Family Planning Services				CONVERTED
Individuals with Tuberculosis				CONVERTED
Individuals Electing COBRA Continuation Coverage				NEW

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

# **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.

No Yes

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				NEW
Medically Needy Children under Age 18				NEW
Aged, Blind and Disabled				

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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				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 ②
Medically Needy Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21				NEW
Medically Needy Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives				NEW

### Aged, Blind and Disabled

Disability

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				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:

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# **Eligibility Groups - Options for Coverage**

### **Work Incentives**

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Individuals with a disability with income below 250% of the FPL, who would qualify for SSI except for earned income.

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The state covers the optional Work Incentives eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

#### A. Characteristics

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

- 1 Have earned income
- 2. Meet the SSI definition of disability, but for earned income.
- ${\it 3. Meet income and resource standards following a two-step process, which includes:}\\$ 
  - a. Step One A comparison of family net income to 250% FPL; and
  - b. Step Two A comparison of individual net income and resources to the SSI standards, excluding earned income.

### Work Incentives

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# **B. Step One Financial Methodologies and Income Test**

### 1. Financial methodologies

- a. SSI methodologies are used in calculating family income. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.
- b. More restrictive requirements than SSI are used in calculating countable income. Please refer as necessary to More Restrictive Requirements than SSI under 1902(f), completed by the state. Please refer as necessary to More Restrictive Requirements than SSI under 1902(f), completed by the state.
- c. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income.
- Yes
- No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

General income disregard:

Name of disregard:	Description:
Connecticut Earned Income Tax Credit	Connecticut will exclude this tax credit when determining eligibility.
Household income disregard	Consider only the individual's income, disregard all other household members' income.
Individual income disregard	Disregard countable individual income between 250% FPL and \$7,084.
Census Bureau	All wages paid by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to any decennial census activities are excluded.

#### 2. Income Test

Family net income must be less than 250% FPL. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies for the definition of family size.

### Work Incentives

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# C. Step Two Financial Methodologies and Income/Resource Test

### 1. Financial methodologies

- a. SSI methodologies are used in calculating income and resources, except that earned income is not counted. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.
- b. More restrictive requirements than SSI are used in calculating countable income and/or resources, except that earned income is not counted. Please refer as necessary to More Restrictive Requirements than SSI under 1902(f), completed by the state. Please refer as necessary to More Restrictive Requirements than SSI under 1902(f), completed by the state.
- c. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income.
- Yes
- No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

▼ The total amount of unearned income is disregarded.

#### Description of disregard:

Disregard all unearned income.

- d. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.
- Yes
- No

The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

General resource disregard:

Name of disregard:	Description:
Retirement and Medical Savings accounts	Disregard of all resources held in retirement accounts and medical savings accounts (pursuant to 26 USC 220) designated by the individual or the individual's spouse for the purposes of purchasing goods and services that will increase the employability of such person, subject to the approval of the Commissioner are also excluded.
Employability Accounts	Disregard all employability accounts held by the individual or spouse and designated by such person as being held for the purpose of buying goods or services that will increase the employability of the individual. Such accounts are subject to the approval of the Department.
Connecticut Resources Disregard	Disregard countable resources between the SSI resource standard and \$20,000 for an individual and \$30,000 for a couple.

- ▼ The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to resources set aside for burial.
  - Specified methodology for the treatment of resources set aside for burial:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Funds for burial expenses	Disregard \$300 each of the funds set aside for the burial expenses of the individual or the individual's spouse. This is in addition to the \$1,500 excluded pursuant to SSI regulations.

The value of a countable life insurance policy is disregarded.

### Description of disregard:

Disregard the cash surrender value of life insurance policies when death benefits are assigned to funeral home to fund funeral contract.

✓ A specified type of resource is disregarded:

Name of resource type:	Description:
Reverse Mortgage	Disregard funds derived from home equity reverse annuity mortgages or other home equity conversion loans, subject to certain conditions.

### 2. Income Test

For individuals who pass Step One, in Step Two, the individual's unearned income (plus deemed income, if appropriate) must be less than one of the following income standards:

- a. The SSI income standard.
- **b**. The income standard of the state supplement program.

#### 3. Resource Test

The individual's resources must be less than the SSI resource standard.

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# **D. 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.

### **Work Incentives**

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# **E.** Additional Information (optional)

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# **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.
- Yes
- No

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:

Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

### Description of disregard:

All wages paid by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to any decennial census activities are excluded.

A specified type of income is disregarded:

Name of income type:	Description:
Connecticut Earned Income Tax Credit	Connecticut will exclude this tax credit when determining eligibility.

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▼ The following less restrictive methodologies are used:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Household income disregard	Consider only the individual's income, disregard all other household members' income.

- 3. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.
- Yes
- No

The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

General resource disregard:

Name of disregard:	Description:
Retirement and Medical Savings Accounts	Disregard of all resources held in retirement accounts and medical savings accounts (pursuant to 26 USC 220) designated by the individual or the individual's spouse for the purposes of purchasing goods and services that will increase the employability of such person, subject to the approval of the Commissioner are also excluded.
Employability Accounts	Disregard all employability accounts held by the individual or spouse and designated by such person as being held for the purpose of buying goods or services that will increase the employability of the individual. Such accounts are subject to the approval of the Department.

Specified methodology for the treatment of resources set aside for burial:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Burial Expenses	Disregard \$300 each of the funds set aside for the burial expenses of the individual or the individual's spouse. This is in addition to the \$1,500 excluded pursuant to SSI regulations.

▼ The value of a countable life insurance policy is disregarded.

### Description of disregard:

Disregard the cash surrender value of life insurance policies when death benefits are assigned to funeral home to fund funeral contract.

✓ A specified type of resource is disregarded:

Name of resource type:	Description:
Reverse Mortgage	Disregard funds derived from home equity reverse annuity mortgagesor other home equity conversion loans, subject to certain conditions.

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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

Statewide standard

The statewide standard is:

Household size	Standard
1	\$85000.00

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

Yes No

The dollar amounts increase automatically each year

Yes • No

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

Single Individual \$20000.00

**Couple** \$30000.00

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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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# **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
- 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:** An employed individual is one who is

earning at least the minimum wage and working 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.
- Yes
- No

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:

✓ Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

### Description of disregard:

All wages paid by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to any decennial census activities are excluded.

✓ A specified type of income is disregarded:

Name of income type:	Description:
Connecticut Earned Income Tax Credit	Connecticut will exclude this tax credit when determining eligibility.

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▼ The following less restrictive methodologies are used:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Household income disregard	Consider only the individual's income, disregard all other household members' income.

- 3. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.
- Yes
- No

The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

General resource disregard:

Name of disregard:	Description:
Retirement and Medical Savings accounts	Disregard of all resources held in retirement accounts and medical savings accounts (pursuant to 26 USC 220) designated by the individual or the individual's spouse for the purposes of purchasing goods and services that will increase the employability of such person, subject to the approval of the Commissioner are also excluded.
Employability Accounts	Accounts held by the individual or spouse and designated by such person as being held for the purpose of buying goods or services that will increase the employability of the individual. Such accounts are subject to the approval of the Department.

- ▼ The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to resources set aside for burial.
  - Specified methodology for the treatment of resources set aside for burial:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Funds for burial expenses	Disregard \$300 each of the funds set aside for the burial expenses of the individual or the individual's spouse. This is in addition to the \$1,500 excluded pursuant to SSI regulations.

▼ The value of a countable life insurance policy is disregarded.

### Description of disregard:

Disregard the cash surrender value of life insurance policies when death benefits are assigned to funeral home to fund funeral contract.

✓ A specified type of resource is disregarded:

Name of resource type:	Description:
Reverse Mortgage	Disregard funds derived from home equity reverse annuity mortgages or other home equity conversion loans, subject to certain conditions.

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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

Statewide standard

The statewide standard is:

Household size	Standard
1	\$85000.00

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

Yes No

The dollar amounts increase automatically each year

Yes • No

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

Single Individual \$20000.00

**Couple** \$30000.00

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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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