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Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services

February 10, 2021

Susan Birch
Director, Health Care Authority
Health Care Authority
PO Box 45502
Olympia, WA 98504

Re: Approval of State Plan Amendment WA-20-0030

Dear Ms. Birch:

On June 30, 2020, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) received Washington State Plan Amendment (SPA) WA-20-0030 to implement a resource disregard of earnings accumulated in a separate account during an individual's enrollment in a working disability eligibility group when determining the individual's subsequent eligibility for other eligibility groups covered under Washington's state plan.

We approve Washington State Plan Amendment (SPA) WA-20-0030 on February 10, 2021 with an effective date(s) of April 01, 2020.

Name: WA-20-0030 Companion letter signed
Date Created: 2/9/2021 3:07 PM EST

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Nicole Lemmon at nicole.lemmon@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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

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Executive Summary

Summary Description Including Goals and Objectives: The agency is directed by the state legislature to seek federal approval to exclude resources accumulated in a separate account that result from earnings during an individual's enrollment in the buy-in program when determining the individual's subsequent eligibility for another medical assistance program. Also included in this submission is the addition of the state's optional medically needy (MN) program and income level and the description and methodologies used for eligibility groups to which this excluded resource shall apply. The new excluded resource is being applied to multiple non-MAGI Medicaid eligibility groups, including the Medicare Savings Program. Notices of these changes were distributed under SPAs numbered WA 19-0026 and WA 19-0027.

Federal Budget Impact and Statute/Regulation Citation

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Federal Statute / Regulation Citation

Sections 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) and 1902(r)(2) of the Social Security Act

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

Describe Exempt
The submission includes the following:

- Administration
- Eligibility

**Income/Resource Methodologies**

- Eligibility Determinations of Individuals Age 65 or Older or Who Have Blindness or a Disability
  - Included in Another Submission Package
  - (APPROVED)

**MAGI-Based Methodologies**

- Non-MAGI Methodologies
  - Included in Another Submission Package
  - (APPROVED)

**Income/Resource Standards**

- AFDC Income Standards
- Medically Needy Income Level
  - Included in Another Submission Package
  - (APPROVED)

- Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown)

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- Non-Financial Eligibility
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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
- [x] Public notice was not federally required, but comment was solicited
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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
- [x] Website Notice

Select the type of website
- [x] Website of the State Medicaid Agency or Responsible Agency

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- [ ] Website for State Regulations
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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

Date of solicitation/consultation: 8/7/2019
Method of solicitation/consultation: Email and hard copy letter

☑ All Urban Indian Organizations

Date of solicitation/consultation: 8/7/2019
Method of solicitation/consultation: Email and hard copy letter

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: 8/7/2019
Method of consultation: Email and hard copy letter

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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Indicate the key issues raised (optional)

☐ Access
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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)
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.
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.

   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.
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

   - a. Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (described in section 1902(a)(10)(E)(i) of the Act)
   - b. Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries (described in section 1902(a)(10)(E)(iii) of the Act)
   - c. Qualifying Individuals (described in section 1902(a)(10)(E)(iv) of the Act)
   - d. Qualified Disabled and Working Individuals (described in section 1902(a)(10)(E)(ii) of the Act)
   - e. Age and Disability-Related Poverty Level (described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) of the Act)
   - g. Family Opportunity Act Children with a Disability (described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIX) of the Act)
   - h. Individuals Receiving State Plan Home and Community-Based Services (described in 42 CFR 435.219)

4. The state uses the same definition of family size for the selected FPL eligibility groups.

   - Yes
   - No

5. For the selected FPL eligibility groups, family size is defined as follows:

   a. Family is defined as the individual, the individual's spouse and the individual's children under age 18 living together in the same household. If the individual is a child, the child's parents and siblings under age 18 are also included in the household if living together.

   Optional description:

   b. The state uses another definition of family.
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
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
Income/Resource Standards

Medically Needy Income Level

A. Income Level Used

1. The state employs a single income level for the medically needy.

2. The income level varies based on differences between shelter costs in urban and rural areas.
   - Yes
   - No

3. The level used is:

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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
B. Basis for Income Level

1. Minimum Income Level

The minimum income level for this eligibility group is the lower of the state's July 1996 AFDC payment standard or the state's income standard for the Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives eligibility group.

2. Maximum Income Level

The maximum income level for this eligibility group is 133 1/3 percent of the higher of the state's 1996 AFDC payment standard or the state's income standard for the Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives eligibility group.
Medically Needy Income Level

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If countable income exceeds the income standard, the state must deduct from income medical expenses incurred by the individual or family or financially responsible relatives that are not subject to payment by a third party, in accordance with 42 CFR 435.831 and 42 CFR 435.121.

A. Budget Periods

Income in excess of the appropriate income standard is considered available for payment of medical or remedial care expenses in budget periods that do not exceed six months.

1. In determining income eligibility, countable income is reduced by the amount of incurred medical or remedial care expenses during the budget period specified below:
   a. One budget period of:
   b. More than one budget period, as described below:
      i. Community budget period
         Length of budget period:
         (1) 6 months
         (2) 5 months
         (3) 4 months
         (4) 3 months
         (5) 2 months
         (6) 1 month
      ii. Institutional budget period
         Length of budget period:
         (1) 6 months
         (2) 5 months
         (3) 4 months
         (4) 3 months
         (5) 2 months
         (6) 1 month
      iii. Other budget period
         Length of budget period:
         Description:
         Institutional optional budget period (4) 3 months
         Beneficiary may choose a 3 month budget period, if advantageous to them.
         Community optional budget period (4) 3 months
         Beneficiary may choose a 3 month budget period, if advantageous to them.

2. The state includes part or all of the retroactive period in the budget period.
   Yes
   No
B. Types of Eligible Expenses

1. In determining incurred expenses to be deducted from income, the state includes:
   a. Medicare, Medicaid, and other health insurance premiums and enrollment fees.
   b. Cost sharing, including copayments, coinsurance, and deductibles, imposed by Medicare, Medicaid or other health insurance.
   c. Expenses for necessary medical and remedial services recognized by state law but not included in the state plan.
   d. Expenses for necessary medical and remedial services included in the state plan, including those that exceed limitations on the amount, duration, and scope of services.

2. The state also includes medical institutional expenses projected to the end of the budget period at the Medicaid reimbursement rate.
   - Yes
   - No

3. Incurred expenses subject to payment by a third party are not deducted unless the third party is a public program (other than Medicaid) of a state and the program is financed by the state.
C. Timeframe of Deduction of Expenses

In determining incurred expenses to be deducted from income, the state deducts:

1. For retroactive budget period(s) and a budget period that includes both retroactive and prospective budget, the state deducts:
   a. Eligible expenses incurred during the budget period, whether paid or unpaid.
   b. Payments made during the budget period on eligible expenses incurred at any time prior to the budget period, if not previously deducted in establishing eligibility.
   c. Unpaid eligible expenses, which have not been deducted previously in establishing eligibility, and were incurred:
      i. At any time prior to the budget period.
      ii. Prior to the third month before the month of application, but no earlier than:
      iii. No earlier than the third month before the month of application.

2. For prospective budget period(s), the state deducts:
   a. Eligible expenses incurred during the budget period, whether paid or unpaid.
   b. Payments made during the budget period on eligible expenses incurred at any time prior to the budget period, if not previously deducted in establishing eligibility.
   c. Unpaid eligible expenses that are carried over from the prior budget period and have not been deducted previously in establishing eligibility.
D. Order of Deduction of Expenses

Incur medical or remedial care expenses are deducted in the following order:

1. By the type of service, in the following order:
   a. Premiums, deductibles, coinsurance and co-payments.
   b. Expenses for necessary medical or remedial care services that are recognized under state law but not included in the State Plan.
   c. Expenses for necessary medical or remedial care services that are included in the state Plan that exceed agency limitations on amount, duration, or scope of services.
   d. Expenses for necessary medical or remedial care services that are included in the state Plan that are within the agency limitations on amount, duration, or scope of services.

2. In chronological order by the date of the service, or the date cost sharing payments are due.

3. In chronological order by the date the bill is submitted to the state by the individual.
E. Reasonable Limitations

The state sets reasonable limits on the amount to be deducted for expenses.

☑ Yes
☐ No
Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown)

F. Spenddown Payments Made by Individuals

The state permits individuals to pay-in their spenddown liability.

☐ Yes
☐ No
Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown)

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G. Additional Information (optional)
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Income/Resource Standards

Medically Needy Resource Level

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A. Medically Needy Resource Level Structure

1. The state employs a single resource level for the medically needy.

2. The resource level is equal to or higher than the lowest resource standard used under the most closely related cash assistance program.
**B. Resource Level Used**

The level used is:

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- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

**Incremental Amount:**

$50.00
Medically Needy Resource Level
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C. 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:

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

- Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

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Description of disregard:

Wages paid by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to census activities are excluded.

The following less restrictive methodologies are used:

- Name of methodology:
  - Description:

- Income tax obligation
  - Unearned income withheld, prior receipt by the individual, for income tax purposes, or otherwise withheld beyond the individual’s control, is considered exempt when determining eligibility.

- MSP
  - When determining the available income of an individual for the QMB or SLMB program the agency shall exclude from countable income an amount equal to that expended on medical expenses.

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

The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

- A specified type of resource is disregarded:

  - Name of resource type:
    - Description:

  - Independence Account - earnings while enrolled in MBI
    - Designated separate account that consists only of earnings resulting from work activity while enrolled in the Ticket and BBA work incentives eligibility groups.
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<td>IDA account</td>
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<td>Non-cash resources, which cannot be expected to be converted into cash within 20 working days, are not considered available to the extent that an ongoing bona fide effort to convert them into cash is unsuccessful.</td>
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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
MEDICAID | Medicaid State Plan | Eligibility | WA2019M500040 | WA-20-0030

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.
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
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3. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.
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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.
### Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries

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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:

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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.
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:

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Income tax obligation

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

☐ Yes
☐ No

The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

☑ A specified type of resource is disregarded:

Name of resource type: Description:

Independence Account - earnings while enrolled in MBI

Designated separate account that consists only of earnings resulting from work activity while enrolled in the Ticket and BBA work incentives eligibility groups.

Sales contract resource

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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

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Qualifying Individuals

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F. Additional Information (optional)
## Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

### Optional Eligibility Groups

- MEDICAID | Medicaid State Plan | Eligibility | WA2019MS0004O | WA-20-0030

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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):

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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 [ ]

The medically needy eligibility groups covered in the state plan are:

1. **Mandatory Medically Needy:**
   - **Families and Adults**
     - **Eligibility Group Name**
       - Medically Needy Pregnant Women
       - Medically Needy Children under Age 18
     - **Covered In State Plan**: Yes
     - **Include RU In Package**: Yes
     - **Included in Another Submission Package**: No
     - **Source Type**: NEW

2. **Optional Medically Needy:**
   - **Families and Adults**
     - **Eligibility Group Name**
       - Medically Needy Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21
       - Medically Needy Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives
     - **Covered In State Plan**: Yes
     - **Include RU In Package**: Yes
     - **Included in Another Submission Package**: No
     - **Source Type**: NEW
   - **Aged, Blind and Disabled**
     - **Eligibility Group Name**
       - Protected Medically Needy Individuals Who Were Eligible in 1973
     - **Covered In State Plan**: Yes
     - **Include RU In Package**: Yes
     - **Included in Another Submission Package**: No
     - **Source Type**: NEW

3. **Medically Needy Populations Based on Age, Blindness or Disability**
   - **Eligibility Group Name**
     - Medically Needy
     - **Covered In State Plan**: Yes
     - **Include RU In Package**: Yes
     - **Included in Another Submission Package**: No
     - **Source Type**: APPROVED
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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.
B. Individuals Covered

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

☐ Yes
☐ No
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:

- Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

Description of disregard: Wages paid by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to census activities are excluded.

The following less restrictive methodologies are used:

- Name of methodology: Income tax obligation
  - Description: Unearned income withheld, prior receipt by the individual, for income tax purposes, or otherwise withheld beyond the individual's control, is considered exempt when determining eligibility

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

☐ Yes
☐ No

The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

- A specified type of resource is disregarded:

  Name of resource type: Independence Account - earnings while enrolled in MBI
  - Description: Designated separate account that consists only of earnings resulting from work activity while enrolled in the Ticket and BBA work incentives eligibility groups.
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<td>Sales contract resource</td>
<td>Effective August 1, 1993, to the extent that it is not transferred, a sales contract on property that was the principal place of residence at the time of institutionalization is an exempt resource. The contract must provide a reasonable rate of return: 1) the interest is consistent with prevailing rates at the time of the sale; and 2) the payment of amount owed is anticipated within the lifetime of the client but does not exceed thirty years. Both interest and principal received in the form of payments are considered unearned income, unless otherwise exempted.</td>
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<td>IDA account</td>
<td>All funds in IDA accounts funded under the Assets for Independence Act.</td>
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<td>Non-cash resources, which cannot be expected to be converted into cash within 20 working days, are not considered available to the extent that an ongoing bona fide effort to convert them into cash is unsuccessful.</td>
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<td>Holocaust survivor</td>
<td>When determining the countable resources for a Holocaust survivor, exclude recoveries of insurance proceeds or other assets.</td>
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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.
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F. Additional Information (optional)
Medicaid State Plan Eligibility
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Individuals Eligible for Cash Except for Institutionalization
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Individuals who would be eligible for federal cash assistance or an optional state supplement, except for institutionalization.

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The state covers the optional Individuals Eligible for Cash Except for Institutionalization eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

A. Characteristics

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

1. Are in a medical institution.

2. Would meet the eligibility requirements for at least one of the following cash assistance programs, but for the lower income standards used to determine eligibility for institutionalized individuals:
   - a. SSI
   - b. Optional State Supplement
   - c. AFDC
B. Individuals Covered

1. The state covers all individuals who meet the characteristics described in section A.
   ☑ Yes
   ☐ No
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.

2. In calculating household income and resources for populations for which AFDC is the most closely related program, the following methodology(ies) are used:
   - a. MAGI-like methodologies. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.
   - b. AFDC methodologies. 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:
   - [ ] The difference between one income standard and another is disregarded.
   - [ ] Between the following percentages of the FPL:
   - [ ] Between the medically needy income limit and a percentage of the FPL:
   - [ ] Between the SSI Federal Benefit Rate and:
   - [ ] Between other income standards:

   Between this standard: TANF payment standard by family size
   and this standard: AFDC payment standard by family size

4. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.
   - [ ] Yes
The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

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- A beneficiary of a "qualified state long-term care insurance partnership" policy (partnership policy), as defined in section 1917(b)(1)(C) of the Social Security Act and 45 CFR 144.200 et seq., is provided a resource disregard, equal to the amount of the insurance benefit payments made to or on behalf of the individual from the partnership policy.

- The following less restrictive methodologies are used:

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<td>Non-exempt resources</td>
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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

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**F. Additional Information (optional)**
Individually Receiving Home and Community-Based Waiver Services under Institutional Rules

Individuals who would be eligible for Medicaid if they were in an institution and who receive home and community-based services.

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The state operates the Individuals Receiving Home and Community-Based Waiver Services under Institutional Rules eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

A. Characteristics

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

1. Would be eligible for Medicaid if in a medical institution.

2. But for the provision of home and community-based services under a waiver granted under section 1915(c), (d) or (e) of the Act:
   a. For waivers granted under 1915(c), the individuals would otherwise require the level of care furnished in a hospital, a nursing facility or an intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities.
   b. For waivers granted under 1915(d) or (e), the individuals would otherwise require the level of care furnished in a hospital or nursing facility.

3. Will receive the waivered services.
B. Income and Resource Methodologies

1. The income and resource methodologies used for this group are those used to determine eligibility for a state plan group under which the individual would be eligible if in an institution.

2. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income.
   - Yes
   - No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

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3. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.
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C. Income and Resource Standards

The income and resource standards used for this group are those used to determine eligibility for a state plan group under which the individual would be eligible if in an institution.
D. Additional Information (optional)
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.

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

   ![Yes]

   ![No]

   The less restrictive income methodologies are:

   - All income is disregarded. No income test is applied.

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.
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. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income.
      
      ☑ Yes
      ☐ No

   The less restrictive income methodologies are:

      ☑ All income is disregarded. No income test is applied.

      c. 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.

      ☑ The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to the treatment of resources set aside in specified types of accounts.

      ☑ Resources set aside in Independence/Freedom accounts

      Description: Designated separate account that consists only of earnings resulting from work activity while enrolled in the 'Ticket and BBA work incentives eligibility groups.

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.
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.
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E. Additional Information (optional)

Requirements for premiums and cost sharing for this group are found in the premium and cost sharing sections, as well as in attachment 2.6-A page 120.
Medicaid State Plan Eligibility
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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.
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:

- All income is disregarded. No income test is applied.

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.

- The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to the treatment of resources set aside in specified types of accounts.

  - Resources set aside in Independence/Freedom accounts

  Description: Designated separate account that consists only of earnings resulting from work activity while enrolled in the Ticket and BBA work incentives eligibility groups.
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
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D. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard for this group is:

1. No resource standard
2. SSI resource standard
3. A dollar amount higher than the SSI resource standard
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.
**Ticket to Work Basic**
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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 in attachment 2.6-A page 12o.
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
5. Have income and resources that do not exceed the standards established by the state.
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:

- All income is disregarded. No income test is applied.

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.

- The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to the treatment of resources set aside in specified types of accounts.

   - Resources set aside in Independence/Freedom accounts
   - Description: Designated separate account that consists only of earnings resulting from work activity while enrolled in the Ticket and BBA work incentives eligibility groups.
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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
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D. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard for this group is:

1. No resource standard
2. SSI resource standard
3. A dollar amount higher than the SSI resource standard
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.
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 in attachment 2.6-A page 12o.
Medicaid State Plan Eligibility
Eligibility Groups - Medically Needy

Medically Needy Populations Based on Age, Blindness or Disability
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Individuals who are age 65 or older or who have blindness or a disability who do not qualify as categorically needy.

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The state covers the optional Medically Needy Populations Based on Age, Blindness or Disability eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

A. Characteristics

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

1. Meet at least one of the following:
   a. Are age 65 or older;
   b. Have blindness; or
   c. Have a disability.

2. Are not otherwise eligible for categorically needy coverage under the state plan.

3. Have Income at or below the medically needy income level and resources at or below the medically needy resource level.
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B. Individuals Covered

The state covers the following populations:

☑ 1. Individuals age 65 or older
☑ 2. Individuals with blindness
☐ 3. Individuals who have a disability
C. Financial Methodologies

1. The state uses the same financial methodology for all individuals covered.
   - Yes
   - No

2. The financial methodology used is:
   a. SSI methodologies. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.
   b. 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: Wages paid by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to census activities are excluded.

The following less restrictive methodologies are used:

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<td>Income tax obligation</td>
<td>Unearned income withheld, prior receipt by the individual, for income tax purposes, or otherwise withheld beyond the individual's control, is considered exempt when determining eligibility.</td>
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<td>Maintenance for MN</td>
<td>Income of an individual is exempt in an amount equal to the maintenance allowance of the individual's spouse, living in the same household, who is eligible under clause (vi) of section 1902 (a)(10)(A)(iii) of the Act, less the income of the spouse.</td>
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c. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.

Yes ☐ No ☐

The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

- Real property not otherwise excluded is disregarded.

- The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to the treatment of resources set aside in specified types of accounts.

- Resources set aside in an Assets for Independence Act (IDA) account.

- Resources set aside in Independence/Freedom account.

- All funds in IDA accounts funded under the Assets for Independence Act.

- Designated separate account that consists only of earnings resulting from work activity.
A specified type of resource is disregarded:

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<td>Sales Contract – Effective August 1, 1993, to the extent that it is not transferred, a sales contract on property that was the principal place of residence at the time of institutionalization is an exempt resource. The contract must provide a reasonable rate of return: 1) the interest is consistent with prevailing rates at the time of the sale; and 2) the payment of amount owed is anticipated within the lifetime of the client but does not exceed thirty years. Both interest and principal received in the form of payments are considered unearned income, unless otherwise exempted.</td>
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A beneficiary of a "qualified state long-term care insurance partnership" policy (partnership policy), as defined in section 1917(b)(1)(C) of the Social Security Act and 45 CFR 144.200 et seq., is provided a resource disregard, equal to the amount of the insurance benefit payments made to or on behalf of the individual from the partnership policy.

The following less restrictive methodologies are used:

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<td>Effective January 1, 1989, it is presumed that one-half of the total resources held jointly by the husband and wife, or held separately by the applicant/recipient, are owned by each spouse (TN 89-2, Approved 8/17/90)</td>
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<td>LTC MN excess resources</td>
<td>Non-exempt resources in excess of the Medically Needy resource levels can, at the individual's option, be reduced by allowable incurred expenses as long as such expenses have not been used to reduce excess income.</td>
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<td>Holocaust survivor proceeds</td>
<td>When determining the countable resources for a Holocaust survivor, exclude recoveries of insurance proceeds or other assets.</td>
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D. Income Standard Used

The income standard used for this group is described in the Medically Needy Income Level RU.
E. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard used for this group is described in the Medically Needy Resource Level RU.
F. Spenddown

The state allows individuals to deduct incurred medical and remedial expenses (spend down) to become eligible under this group. Spenddown is defined in the Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown) RU.
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