

2006 SSI-RELATED¹ MEDICAID AND MEDICARE "BUY IN " ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS

Program	INCOME		ASSETS	
	Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
MEDS-AD	\$ 719.00	\$ 968.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
QMB ²	\$ 817.00	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
SLMB	\$ 980.00	\$ 1,320.00	\$5,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
QI1	\$ 1,103.00	\$ 1,485.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$6,000.00
Working Disabled ³	\$ 1,634.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Medically Needy ⁴	180	241	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Institutional Care (ICP)	\$ 1,809.00	3,618.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Hospice	\$ 1,809.00	3,618.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
HCBS	\$ 1,809.00	3,618.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00

¹ Income limits do not include the \$20 unearned income disregard. The 2006 SSI maximum benefit is \$603/month for an individual and \$904 for an eligible couple.

² QMBs are entitled to payment of the Medicare Part B premium by Medicaid; Q-1s are eligible to apply for Medicaid payment of Part B; it is not an entitlement.

³ For a description of this and other mandatory coverage groups for working disabled see An Advocate's Guide to the Medicaid Program, section 3.8, published by the National Health Law Program.

⁴ Individuals "enrolled" in Medically Needy become eligible for Medicaid if/when they incur medical bills that, when subtracted from their income, reduce their income to this level.