



AGED, BLIND & DISABLED MEDICAID COVERAGE GROUPS – (ABD 201-1) SSI Eligibles

	ABD 201-1
Supersedes:	MA 201-1 (01/01/07)
References:	20 CFR 416.2101, .2111 and .2116; 42 CFR 435.120; ARM 37.82.101 and .901-.903
Overview:	<p>GENERAL RULE-- A Supplemental Security Income (SSI) application filed with the Social Security Administration (SSA) is also a Medicaid application, and individuals eligible for SSI are categorically eligible for SSI-related Medicaid, provided they meet all non-financial requirements.</p> <p>Individuals eligible for State Supplemental Payments (SSP) or eligible under Section 1619 of the Social Security Act are also categorically eligible for SSI-related Medicaid, provided they meet all non-financial requirements.</p> <p>SSI-eligible clients must cooperate, both for themselves and for other household members, with all third party liability requirements.</p> <p>Because the SSA determines their financial eligibility, income and resources are not evaluated for SSI-eligible clients before issuing SSI-related Medicaid.</p> <p>EXCEPTION: Trusts owned by all clients must be evaluated before any ABD Medicaid program, including SSI-related Medicaid, can be authorized.</p> <p>A separate full eligibility determination is required before any Medicaid coverage other than SSI-related can be authorized.</p> <p>In addition, SSI-eligible clients applying for nursing home or Home and Community Based Waiver services coverage:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. must, if married, complete a resource assessment;2. may be asked to provide additional information and/or verification necessary to determine the additional level of coverage;3. are evaluated for uncompensated asset transfers during the look-back period
DATE OF MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY	<p>SSI-related Medicaid eligibility begins the month prior to the month in which the initial SSI cash payment is made. This is because SSA delays the initial payment for one month.</p> <p>Retroactive Medicaid may be available for the three months immediately preceding the SSI application, provided the individual meets all necessary criteria, including disability in each month.</p> <p>Retroactive coverage is denied when requested more than 90 days after the initial SSI-related Medicaid approval notice is mailed.</p> <p>If the SSI disability onset date does not cover the retroactive period, the MEDS process is pursued.</p>
SSI ENDS	SSI-related Medicaid ends the month after the client's SSI payment or 1619b status

	ends. NOTE: An ex parte review is completed when SSI-related Medicaid is closed.
EFFECTIVE DATE:	July 1, 2016