

Department of Public Health  
and Human Services  
  
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Section:  
RESIDENTIAL MEDICAL  
INSTITUTIONS  
  
Subject:  
Prorating Fluctuating Income

**Supersedes:** MA 704-4 (02/01/91)

**References:** 42 CFR 435.725; .733 and .832

**GENERAL RULE**--Once Medicaid eligibility has been established, prorated estimates may be used when income fluctuates between determinations.

**PROCEDURE ACTION**

**Responsibility**

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| Eligibility Examiner | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Add total gross income from previous year, adjust for any known change and divide by twelve (12) to determine monthly (prorata) recipient contribution toward cost of care.</li> <li>2. Apply one (1) of the following if a change in income is discovered at redetermination: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. If income is higher than predicted: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Apply increase toward cost of care;</li> <li>(ii) Pay Montana Medicaid excess income; or</li> <li>(iii) Increase monthly contribution over the next certification period to cover repayment of excess income received.</li> </ol> </li> <li>b. If income is lower than predicted, reduce monthly recipient contribution over the next certification period to cover amount of income not received.</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Request an early redetermination to more accurately reflect actual income.</li> </ol> |
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