



COMBINED MEDICAID 002

TABLE OF STANDARDS

Medically Needy - Income

	CMA 002				
Supersedes:	MA 002 (07/01/08); FMA 003; (03/01/15)				
References:	42 CFR 435.811; ARM 37.82.101, .1106; General Appropriations Act of 2007 (DP11607, May 2007, Montana Legislature)				
Overview:	<p>GENERAL RULE— ACA/Family: An individual or family that meets all the nonfinancial criteria for non-medically needy Family Medicaid assistance, but fails to meet the income standards, may qualify for medically needy Medicaid. Eligibility for medically needy Medicaid (with or without a spend down) is based on income received or reasonably anticipated for the month. Use the appropriate income level from the table on page 3 of this section.</p> <p>The needs of parents/specified caretaker relatives are not covered under the Family medically needy Medicaid program, whether or not there is an incurment.</p>				
MEDICALLY NEEDED INCOME DEDUCTION	<p>Effective July 1, 2008, an additional \$100 is deducted from a medically needy filing unit's total countable net income when calculating the spend down amount. See 602-1 for more information</p> <p>ABD Only: This deduction does not apply to institutional eligibility. Step 1 only determines if the applicant is categorically needy or medically needy. Step 2 budgeting of liability toward cost of care also does not include this deduction.</p>				
SPEND DOWN OBLIGATION	<p>Medically needy clients can establish medically needy coverage by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Using incurred medical expenses to meet their incurment obligation (703-1); 2. Choosing the cash option and paying the spend down obligation amount to the Department (702-1); or 3. Using a combination of incurred medical expenses and the cash option. 				
MULTIPLE FILING UNITS IN A HOUSEHOLD (ACA/Family only)	Regardless of the number of filing units in a household, test the income of each filing unit against the appropriate income standards based on household size and circumstances.				
ABD MEDICALLY NEEDED INCOME LEVELS (MNIL)	<p>Effective July 1, 2001</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Individual</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$525</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Couple</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$525</td> </tr> </table>	Individual	\$525	Couple	\$525
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ACA/FAMILY COMPUTATION	<p>Use the table of income levels to determine:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Income eligibility for medically needy; or 2. The amount of spend down required before medically needy eligibility may be granted. <p>When the individual or family income (after appropriate disregards -- see 602-1) is more than the countable monthly income standard (FMA 003) but equal to or less than the appropriate Medically Needy Income Level (MNIL), the child(ren) is eligible for medically needy <u>without</u> a spend down.</p>				

	When the individual or family income (after appropriate disregards) is more than the applicable MNIL, the child(ren) is eligible for medically needy <u>with</u> a spend down. The \$100.00 medically needy income deduction will reduce the spend down amount by up to \$100.00 (will not reduce the incurment below \$0.00).				
ACA/FAMILY MEDICALLY NEEDY INCOME LEVELS (MNIL)	Effective July 1, 2001				
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	1	\$ 525			
	2	525			
	3	658			
	4	792			
	5	925			
	6	1,058			
	7	1,192			
	8	1,317			
	9	1,383			
	10	1,450			
	11	1,508			
	12	1,558			
	13	1,608			
14	1,658				
15	1,700				
16	1,742				
EFFECTIVE DATE:	July 1, 2016				