CATEGORICAL FACTORS

SSI-RELATED

Policy: Persons who are aged (65 and over), certified blind or certified disabled are eligible for Medicaid if they meet financial and other eligibility requirements. These persons are SSI-related.

References: SSL Sect. 366

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- Dept. Reg 360-3.3(b) 360-5 368
- ADMs 10 OHIP/ADM-01 91 ADM-27 87 ADM-41 GIS 09 MA/027

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Interpretation: Eligibility for SSI-related A/Rs is determined by comparing income, after appropriate deductions to the Medically Needy Income level or the Medicaid Standard (and MBL Living Arrangement Chart as appropriate) whichever is most beneficial. Resources are compared to the appropriate resource levels. When an A/R is SSI-related and ADC-related, s/he is offered a choice between SSI-related budgeting and ADC-related budgeting. (See INCOME <u>BUDGETING</u>) If the individual's income eligibility is the same under both budget types and the individual is not eligible for, or does not wish to participate in Medicaid Buy-In for Working People with Disabilities (MBI-WPD), the individual must be given the ADC-related category of assistance, since benefits under this category are not limited based on resources.

A certified blind or disabled individual who documents or attests to resources in excess of the Medicaid resource level must have eligibility considered for FHPlus. Resources are not considered in the eligibility determination for FHPlus.

The following sections describe SSI categorical requirements:

- Age (65 and over);
- Blindness; and
- Disability.

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