CATEGORICAL FACTORS

MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM FOR WORKING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Documentation:

Applicants for the MBI-WPD program must provide proof of disability. Acceptable proof of disability includes the following:

- A current disability certification by the State or local Disability Review Team (DRT); a verification of receipt of Railroad Retirement benefits due to total and permanent disability;
- A current disability certification by the Social Security Administration (SSA), for SSDI benefits; this may include a current award letter, proof of receipt of SSDI benefits such as a check or bank statement listing the benefit, or a Medicare card;
- A current certification from the Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped (CBVH);
- A current letter from SSA placing the individual in a SSDI Extended Period of Eligibility;
- A current SSA letter informing the individual that he/she is no longer eligible for the 1619 (b) program (the SSA medical diary date is required).

Applicants for the MBI-WPD Program must provide proof of work activity. Acceptable proof of work activity includes the following:

- A current pay stub(s), paychecks, or a written statement from the employer stating the hours worked and the wages paid;
- A current income tax return, W-2 form, or records of bank deposits;
- If the individual is not required to file an income tax return, work
 activity may be documented by pay stubs or a letter from the
 employer stating the hours worked and wages paid. If the
 individual presents a personal check as a "paycheck", a
 statement from the employer is needed to document that the
 check is for work activity. If the recipient is in the Medical
 Improvement group, the letter must also include the number of
 hours worked;
- A self-employed individual may present a worksheet of hours worked, for whom, and income earned from each client.