

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State: NEVADA

MORE LIBERAL METHODS OF TREATING INCOME

UNDER SECTION 1902(r)(2) OF THE ACT*

Section 1902(f) State Non ☒ Section 1902(f) State

METHODS FOR THE TREATMENT OF INCOME FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INCOME
RELATED TO FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL

For poverty level pregnant women, infants and children eligible under 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV), VI & VII of the Social Security Act. The agency uses the less restrictive methods for treating income:

For all individuals under this group whose net income without application of disregards does not exceed the 100% need standard:

1. Disregard 100% earned income for three months;

Disregard 85% of earned income for a second three months;

Disregard 75% of earned income for a third three months;

Disregard 65% of earned income for a fourth three months:

Disregard \$90 or 20% of gross earning (whichever is greater) for month 13 and ongoing; and

2. Disregard the full cost of child care.

The $\$30 + 1/3 / \30 earnings disregards as applicable and \$90 work expense, whichever is more advantageous to the applicant/recipient.

The income and/or resource methodologies that the less restrictive methodologies replace are as follows:

1. No resource methodology is replaced.

Replaced income methodology is:

1. $\$30 + 1/3$ earned income disregard allowed for applicants/recipients who received Medicaid in one of the immediately preceding four months or whose net income without application of the disregards does not exceed the 100% need standard. $\$30 + 1/3$ allowed for four consecutive months followed by \$30 disregard for eight consecutive months; and

2. \$90 work expense; and
3. Child care deductions limited to \$200 per month per child under age 2, and \$175 per month per child age 2 and older.

Income Exclusion for Children in the Custody of a Public Agency

The income of children will be excluded when:

- The child is in the custody of a state, county or tribal public agency,
- AND
- The child is placed in an approved living arrangement.

Determining Countable Lump Sum Income

Lump sum income received once a year or less frequently, will be considered a resource only in the month received. Lump sum income received more than one time per year is counted as unearned income in the month received. (1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV) & (ii)(IX) and 1902(I)(1)(A)(D) of the Social Security Act.

* More liberal methods may not result in exceeding gross income limitations under section 1903(f).

Wages paid by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to census activities; When the Governor declares an economic crisis, Unemployment Insurance Benefits (UIB) will be excluded from income until the month following the month the Governor declares the economic crisis is over.

These incomes will be excluded for the following eligibility groups:

- X Qualified children and pregnant women under 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III).
- X Poverty level pregnant women and infants (133 –185% FPL) under 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV).
- X Poverty level children under age six (133% FPL) under 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VI).
- X Poverty level children under age 19 (100% FPL) under 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VII).
- X Optional categorically needy groups under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) as listed below:

NOTE: The Special Income Level Group under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(V), the Individuals Who Would be Eligible if In an Institution Group under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(VI) and the Hospice Group under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(VII) cannot be included in this disregard.

1. Individuals who would be eligible for cash assistance (AFDC or SSSI) if they were not in a medical institution under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IV).
 2. Individuals who are under State adoption agreements under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII)
 3. Individuals receiving only an optional State supplement which is more restrictive than the criteria for an optional State supplement under title XVI, under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XI)
 4. Working disabled individuals who buy into Medicaid under TWWIIA Basic Coverage Group under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV)
 5. Children under age 21 who were in foster care on their 18th birthday, under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVII)
 6. Individuals screened for breast or cervical cancer under CDC program, under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII)
- Medically Needy under 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III).
- All aged, blind or disabled groups in 209(b) states under 1902(f).
- X QMBs, SLMBs and QIs under 1905(p),

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The State follows the SSI rules. The agency uses income and income deduction methodologies of the SSI program as well as more liberal income deduction methodologies than the SSI program.

The following are the more liberal income methodology deductions allowed by the agency:

1. Educational Expenses to Enhance Employability.
2. Employment Related Interpreting Services Expenses

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