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## Abbreviations

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| <b>AB</b>       | Aid to the Blind  |
| <b>ACF</b>      | Administration for Children and Families                                  |
| <b>AET</b>      | Annual earnings test  |
| <b>AFDC</b>     | Aid to Families with Dependent Children                                   |
| <b>AFDC-UP</b>  | Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Unemployed Parents                |
| <b>AIDS</b>     | Acquired immune deficiency syndrome                                       |
| <b>AIME</b>     | Average indexed monthly earnings  |
| <b>AMW</b>      | Average monthly wage  |
| <b>APTD</b>     | Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled                               |
| <b>BBA</b>      | Balanced Budget Act of 1997   |
| <b>BC/BS</b>    | Blue Cross/Blue Shield  |
| <b>CDR</b>      | Continuing disability review  |
| <b>CHAMPVA</b>  | Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs |
| <b>CLIA</b>     | Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act                                       |
| <b>CMP</b>      | Competitive medical plans   |
| <b>CMS</b>      | Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services                                  |
| <b>COBRA</b>    | Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act                            |
| <b>COLA</b>     | Cost-of-living adjustment   |
| <b>CPI-U</b>    | Consumer price index for all urban consumers                              |
| <b>CPI-W</b>    | Consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers          |
| <b>CPS</b>      | Current Population Survey   |
| <b>DA&amp;A</b> | Drug addiction and alcoholism   |
| <b>DI</b>       | Disability Insurance  |
| <b>DME</b>      | Durable medical equipment   |
| <b>DOE</b>      | Department of Energy  |
| <b>DOL</b>      | Department of Labor   |
| <b>DRG</b>      | Diagnosis-related group   |
| <b>EA</b>       | Emergency Assistance  |
| <b>EBT</b>      | Electronic benefit transfer   |
| <b>EPSDT</b>    | Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment program           |
| <b>ESRD</b>     | End-stage renal disease   |
| <b>FERS</b>     | Federal Employees Retirement System                                       |
| <b>FFS</b>      | Fee for service   |
| <b>FICA</b>     | Federal Insurance Contributions Act                                       |
| <b>FMAP</b>     | Federal medical assistance percentage                                     |
| <b>FPL</b>      | Federal poverty level   |
| <b>FQHC</b>     | Federally qualified health center   |
| <b>FRA</b>      | Full retirement age   |
| <b>FUTA</b>     | Federal Unemployment Tax Act  |
| <b>FY</b>       | Fiscal year   |
| <b>GDP</b>      | Gross domestic product  |
| <b>HCBS</b>     | Home and community based services   |
| <b>HCFA</b>     | Health Care Financing Administration                                      |

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| <b>HHA</b>     | Home health agency                                     |
| <b>HHS</b>     | Department of Health and Human Services                |
| <b>HI</b>      | Hospital Insurance                                     |
| <b>HIV</b>     | Human immunodeficiency virus                           |
| <b>HMO</b>     | Health maintenance organization                        |
| <b>ICF</b>     | Intermediate care facility                             |
| <b>ICFs/MR</b> | Intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded |
| <b>JOBS</b>    | Job Opportunities and Basic Skills Training            |
| <b>LIHEAP</b>  | Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program              |
| <b>LTC</b>     | Long-term care   |
| <b>MBC</b>     | Monthly benefit credited                               |
| <b>MBR</b>     | Master Beneficiary Record                              |
| <b>MCCA</b>    | Medicare Catastrophic Coverage Act                     |
| <b>MCCRA</b>   | Medicare Catastrophic Coverage Repeal Act              |
| <b>MN</b>      | Medically needy  |
| <b>MOE</b>     | Maintenance of effort                                  |
| <b>MSA</b>     | Medical savings account                                |
| <b>NEW</b>     | Native Employment Works                                |
| <b>NRC</b>     | National Research Council                              |
| <b>OAA</b>     | Old-Age Assistance                                     |
| <b>OASDI</b>   | Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance           |
| <b>OASI</b>    | Old-Age and Survivors Insurance                        |
| <b>OBRA</b>    | Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act                      |
| <b>OEO</b>     | Office of Economic Opportunity                         |
| <b>OMB</b>     | Office of Management and Budget                        |
| <b>PACE</b>    | Programs of all-inclusive care for the elderly         |
| <b>PESS</b>    | Property essential to self-support                     |
| <b>PIA</b>     | Primary insurance amount                               |
| <b>PIB</b>     | Primary insurance benefit                              |
| <b>PPO</b>     | Preferred provider organization                        |
| <b>PPS</b>     | Prospective payment system                             |
| <b>PRO</b>     | Peer review organization                               |
| <b>PSO</b>     | Provider-sponsored organization                        |
| <b>QC</b>      | Quarter of coverage                                    |
| <b>QDWIS</b>   | Qualified disabled working individuals                 |
| <b>QI</b>      | Qualified individual                                   |
| <b>QMB</b>     | Qualified Medicare beneficiary                         |
| <b>REACH</b>   | Residential Emergency Assistance Challenge             |
| <b>RVS</b>     | Relative value scale                                   |
| <b>SCHIP</b>   | State Children's Health Insurance Program              |
| <b>SECA</b>    | Self-Employment Contributions Act                      |
| <b>SGA</b>     | Substantial gainful activity                           |
| <b>SIPP</b>    | Survey of Income and Program Participation             |
| <b>SLMB</b>    | Specified low-income Medicare beneficiary              |
| <b>SMI</b>     | Supplementary Medical Insurance                        |

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| <b>SNF</b>   | Skilled nursing facility                 |
| <b>SSA</b>   | Social Security Administration           |
| <b>SSI</b>   | Supplemental Security Income             |
| <b>TANF</b>  | Temporary Assistance for Needy Families  |
| <b>TEFRA</b> | Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act |
| <b>TFP</b>   | Thrifty Food Plan                        |
| <b>TWP</b>   | Trial work period                        |
| <b>USDA</b>  | U.S. Department of Agriculture           |
| <b>VA</b>    | Department of Veterans Affairs           |
| <b>VEAP</b>  | Veterans' Educational Assistance Program |
| <b>WEP</b>   | Windfall Elimination Provision           |
| <b>WIN</b>   | Work Incentive Program                   |