

Texas

State Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

No recipients.

Optional State Supplementation

Administration: Department of Human Services.

Effective date: September 1, 1999.

Statutory basis for payment: Texas Human Resources Code, section 32.024(V).

Funding

Administration: State funds.

Assistance: State funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining payment levels.

Place of application: Social Security Administration field offices.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to SSI recipients residing in nursing or intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded (ICFMR) and whose countable income is less than \$60.

Resource limitations: Same as federal.

Income exclusions: Same as federal.

Recoveries, liens, and assignments: None.

Responsibility of relatives: None.

Interim assistance: State does not participate.

Payment levels: Prior to September 2002, individuals in Medicaid facilities received a combined federal and state supplement of \$45 (state-supplemented portion is \$15).¹ In addition, up to \$60 may be retained as a personal needs allowance. Couples residing in these facilities for more than 30 days are treated as two individuals. Effective September 2002, state supplementation increased to \$30, bringing the combined federal and state supplementation for these recipients to \$60.

Number of recipients: In January 2002, 6,441 people received optional state supplementation. Of those, 3,085 were aged, 39 were blind, 600 were disabled adults, and 2,717 were disabled children.

State Assistance for Special Needs

State does not provide assistance for special needs.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: SSI program guidelines (Title XVI).

Determined by: Social Security Administration.

Medically Needy Program

State provides a program for families and children.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration obtains this information.

1. Includes recipients in a federal Code D living arrangement who reside in a nonpsychiatric Medicaid facility.