West Virginia

NOTE: This information is for 2002. The state did not provide information for 2004.

State Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

State does not provide mandatory minimum supplementation.

Optional State Supplementation

State does not provide optional supplementation.

State Assistance for Special Needs

Administration

State Department of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Children and Families.

Interim assistance: State does not participate.

Special Needs Circumstances

Adult family care home: Payment of \$536 to \$606 monthly (depending on amount of care required for each recipient) provided on behalf of every aged or disabled person living in a personal care home who has been approved for SSI and persons who are not eligible for SSI but are eligible for a state supplement.

Licensed personal care home: Payment of \$652 monthly provided on behalf of every aged or disabled person living in a personal care home who has been approved for SSI or is income eligible.

Residential board and care: Payment of \$536 to \$606 monthly (depending on amount of care required for each recipient) provided on behalf of every aged or disabled person living in a residential board and care home who has been approved for SSI or is income eligible.

Personal care services: In August 1996, the Personal Care Services Program was transferred from the Office of Social Services to the Community Care Program in the Bureau for Senior Services. To qualify, aged, blind, and disabled persons must be income-eligible recipients of SSI and have a physician certify that they need these services. The purpose of these services is to enable persons to stay in their current living situation. Personal services are provided through the county senior centers. The senior centers employ the personal care providers and pay them directly.

Emergency financial assistance: Amounts vary with need but cannot exceed various maximums. Provided on behalf of eligible persons who have emergency needs for the items covered by the program, such as utilities, shelter, food, clothing, etc. Payments may be made to individuals or families to cover an emergency for up to 30 consecutive days in any 12-month period.

Burial expenses: Up to \$1,250 is provided for burial expenses for persons who do not possess sufficient resources to pay for burial expenses. A contribution of up to \$1,200 toward burial expenses from any source is excluded from consideration as a resource in determining the assistance amount for burial expenses.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: SSI program guidelines (Title XVI).

Determined by: Social Security Administration.

Medically Needy Program

State provides a program for the aged, blind, and disabled medically needy.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration obtains this information.