



# Division of Developmental Disabilities

## Medicaid Eligibility for the CCW

	<b>Supplemental Security Income (SSI)</b>	<b>Medicaid Only-Community Care Waiver (CCW)</b>
<b>Overview</b>	Federal income supplement program designed to help people who are “aged, blind, and/or disabled” who have little/no income. SSI provides monthly cash payment to meet basic needs for food, clothing, and shelter.	Special program that provides State Plan Medicaid in addition to home and community based services identified in the CCW to eligible individuals with developmental disabilities who have little/no income. Enrollment into the program is based on availability of a funded slot.
<b>Eligibility Criteria</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aged (65+); blind; or disabled; &amp;</li> <li>• Limited income and resources (<i>The 2013 monthly income limit is \$741.25 &amp; resource limit is \$2000</i>); &amp;</li> <li>• U.S. citizen or national, or in one of certain categories of aliens; &amp;</li> <li>• Resident of one of the 50 States; D.C. Northern Mariana Islands; &amp;</li> <li>• Not absent from the country for 30 consecutive days or more.</li> </ul> <p>You may obtain your current benefit information, award letters, etc. or make changes to your contact information by going to the My Social Security website:  <a href="http://www.ssa.gov/myaccount/">http://www.ssa.gov/myaccount/</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meet functional criteria for Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) services; &amp;</li> <li>• Meet clinical criteria for ICF/ID level of care; &amp;</li> <li>• Determined to be in need of, and use, a monthly waiver service; &amp;</li> <li>• Determined to be blind or disabled by either the Social Security Administration (SSA) or the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS); &amp;</li> <li>• Resident of New Jersey; &amp;</li> <li>• U.S. citizen or qualified alien (<i>Most immigrants who arrived after August 22, 1996 will be barred from Medicaid for five years from receipt of a Green Card</i>); &amp;</li> <li>• Limited income and resources (<i>The 2013 monthly income limit is \$2,130 &amp; resource limit is \$2000</i>).</li> </ul>
<b>Application Process</b>	<p>Made through local Social Security offices. To locate an office, go to:  <a href="https://secure.ssa.gov/apps6z/FOLO/fo001.jsp">https://secure.ssa.gov/apps6z/FOLO/fo001.jsp</a></p> <p>It is recommended to call your local office first to see if an appointment is needed.</p>	<p>Initial contact made through your DDD Case Manager who makes the referral to initiate Medicaid financial application. The DDD/Regional CCW staff assists applicants to complete the Medicaid financial packet and is responsible for the submission of the completed packet to the Institutional Services Section (ISS) of Medicaid for eligibility determination.</p> <p>To locate your DDD Case Manager, please call your Regional Office found at:  <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddd/staff/cso/index.html">http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddd/staff/cso/index.html</a></p>
<b>Required Documents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proof of age;</li> <li>• Proof of citizenship;</li> <li>• Social Security card or record of SSN;</li> <li>• Documentation related to income &amp; resources (<i>Copies of your checking account(s), savings account(s), trust(s) including life insurance and special needs, annuities, payroll slips, burial fund records, and other information about your income and the things you own. Be sure to include the account numbers for all documents.</i>);</li> <li>• Names, addresses, and phone numbers of doctors, hospitals and clinics that you have been to, if applying because you are disabled or blind.</li> </ul> <p>For a more complete list, go to:  <a href="http://www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/11000.pdf">http://www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/11000.pdf</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proof of age;</li> <li>• Proof of citizenship;</li> <li>• Proof of identity;</li> <li>• Proof of marital status (if married);</li> <li>• Documentation related to Power of Attorney/Third Party Signator/Guardianship (if applicable);</li> <li>• Documentation related to income &amp; resources (<i>Copies of your checking account(s), savings account(s), trust(s) including life insurance and special needs, annuities, payroll slips, burial fund records, and other information about your income and the things you own. Be sure to include the account numbers for all documents</i>).</li> </ul>
<b>Additional Information</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socialsecurity.gov/ssi/text-eligibility-ussi.htm">http://www.socialsecurity.gov/ssi/text-eligibility-ussi.htm</a></p> <p>1-800-772-1213</p>	<p><a href="http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddd/services/ccw/index.html">http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddd/services/ccw/index.html</a></p> <p>1-800-832-9173</p> <p>See document: <i>Applying for Medicaid Only-CCW Check List.</i></p>



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### **What should I do if I am denied SSI because my income or resources are too high?**

You should inquire about your eligibility for Medicaid Only-Community Care Waiver (CCW).

### **What should I do if I lose my SSI and Medicaid coverage because I begin receiving Social Security Benefits on my parent's account and/or there was an increase in those benefits?**

You may be eligible to continue receiving Medicaid benefits as a "Disabled Adult Child" (DAC) if you meet the following criteria: (1) You are at least 18 years old; (2) You have become disabled or blind prior to age 22; (3) You have been receiving SSI on the basis of your disability; and (4) You have lost SSI as a result of your parent's insurance benefits under Social Security or as a result of an increase in those benefits. You will need to complete a Medicaid Only-CCW application and provide the necessary documents. If available, you should include a copy of your letter from the Social Security Administration (SSA) verifying that your SSI was terminated and that you are now receiving SSDI.

### **Once I have been determined eligible for Medicaid, is that determination permanent?**

No. If your income, resources or living arrangements change at any time, it may affect your eligibility. Both Medicaid and SSI conduct eligibility redeterminations on an on-going basis to verify that you remain eligible. It is imperative that you comply with all redeterminations as failure to do so may cause your benefits to be suspended or terminated.

### **If I already have Medicaid, will I automatically be eligible for the CCW?**

Not necessarily. Some types of Medicaid programs have eligibility criteria unique to that program. If you have another form of Medicaid you may be required to complete a Medicaid Financial Application for the CCW program, which will be reviewed by the Institutional Services Section (ISS) at Medicaid. However, if you are an SSI recipient and have been determined by DDD to meet the clinical criteria requirements for the CCW, you will not be required to complete the Medicaid Financial Application.

### **If I lose my CCW Medicaid eligibility, will I still be able to access DDD services through the CCW?**

No. You will not be able to access services through the CCW unless you maintain Medicaid eligibility.

### **What should I do if I am enrolled in the Supports Program or another Medicaid home and community-based services waiver program, but am in need of services through the CCW?**

The Division of Developmental Disabilities (Division) currently maintains a Waiting List for the CCW. In order to be eligible to enroll on the CCW, you have to either reach the top of that waiting list or meet the emergency criteria as established by the Division. Additionally, you can only participate in one Medicaid home and community-based services waiver program at a time. If you are on another waiver program and reach the top of the CCW Waiting List or are deemed an emergency, you will need to dis-enroll from the other program. Before doing so, you should also contact your care/case manager from the other waiver program and inquire about what services you may lose if you choose to no longer participate in that waiver program.