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# Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services

November 19, 2020

Jacey Cooper Chief Deputy Director, Health Care Programs California Department of Health Care Services P.O. Box 997413, MS 0000 Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

Re: Approval of State Plan Amendment CA-20-0022

Dear Ms. Cooper:

On March 23, 2020, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) received California State Plan Amendment (SPA) CA-20-0022 to implement an income disregard to make all wages paid to an individual by the U.S. Census Bureau for temporary employment related to current or future Census activities to be exempt for Non-Modified Adjusted Gross Income (non-MAGI) Medi-Cal programs.

We approve California State Plan Amendment (SPA) CA-20-0022 on November 19, 2020 with an effective date(s) of January 01, 2020.

Please note that accompanying this approval of SPA 20-0022 is a companion letter regarding a resource disregard, which the state will need to address after the end of the of COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.

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If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Cheryl Young at cheryl.young@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

James G. Scott

Director, Division of Program Operations

Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services

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November 13, 2020

Jacey Cooper Chief Deputy Director, Health Care Programs California Department of Health Care Services P.O. Box 997413, MS 0000 Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

Dear Ms. Cooper:

We are issuing this letter as a companion to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' (CMS) approval of California's State Plan Amendment (SPA) CA 20-0022. California's SPA 20-0022 implements an income disregard to make all wages paid to an individual by the U.S. Census Bureau for temporary employment related to current or future Census activities to be exempt for Non-Modified Adjusted Gross Income (non-MAGI) Medi-Cal programs. The changes made by this state plan amendment are effective January 1, 2020. During the course of our review of SPA 20-0022, we found a comparability issue with a resource disregard, which is the subject of this letter.

California's existing state plan includes a resource disregard ("Resources exempted under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII)") on Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A, page 14 (hereafter page 14). Under this disregard, resources that were excluded for an individual while he or she was enrolled in the eligibility group described at section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act are disregarded when such an individual undergoes an eligibility determination for certain other eligibility groups (as listed on page 14). The effect of this disregard is that, when California determines financial eligibility for the eligibility groups described at sections 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I), (X), and section 1902(a)(10)(C) of the Act, only some, but not all, individuals are permitted a certain resource disregard. Consequently, individuals in the same categorical population (e.g., individuals 65 years old or older) will be treated differently depending on whether they were or were not previously enrolled in the eligibility group described at section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act. If the state chooses to apply a less restrictive income or resource methodology to an eligibility group, it must apply that methodology to all individuals within the selected group. The application of this disregard to only a narrow segment of each categorical population within each eligibility group is not permitted under section 1902(a)(17) of the Act, and implemented at 42 C.F.R. §435.601(d)(4), which require comparability in the application of the financial methodology for all individuals within the same eligibility group.

Although the application of the disregard to a narrow population within an eligibility group is not permissible, the elimination of this disregard from California's state plan may render it ineligible

for the increased federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) authorized under Section 6008(a) of the Families First Coronavirus Relief Act (FFCRA). To be eligible for the increased FMAP, a state must maintain eligibility standards, methodologies, or procedures that are no more restrictive than what the state had in place as of January 1, 2020, during the period in which the enhanced FMAP is available (i.e., during the public health emergency relating to the 2019 Novel Coronavirus, or "COVID-19") under section 6008(b)(1) of the FFCRA. For this reason, we are approving this SPA with the disregard as currently listed in the state plan on page 14, and now incorporated into MACPro in the reviewable units (RUs) for: "Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance", "Age and Disability-Related Poverty Level", "Medically Needy Pregnant Women", "Medically Needy Children under Age 18", "Medically Needy Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21", "Medically Needy Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives", and "Medically Needy Populations Based on Age, Blindness or Disability".

We discussed this issue with the state on October 7, 2020. This letter documents that the state agrees it will submit an additional SPA to correct this issue as soon as practicable after the end of the COVID-19 public health emergency. Such a SPA would remove this disregard now incorporated into MACPro in the reviewable units (RUs) for "Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance", "Age and Disability-Related Poverty Level", "Medically Needy Pregnant Women", "Medically Needy Children under Age 18", "Medically Needy Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21", "Medically Needy Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives", and "Medically Needy Populations Based on Age, Blindness or Disability".

CMS welcomes the opportunity to work with you and your staff to resolve these issues. Should you or your staff have any questions regarding this request, please contact Cheryl Young at Cheryl Young @cms.hhs.gov or 415-744-3598.



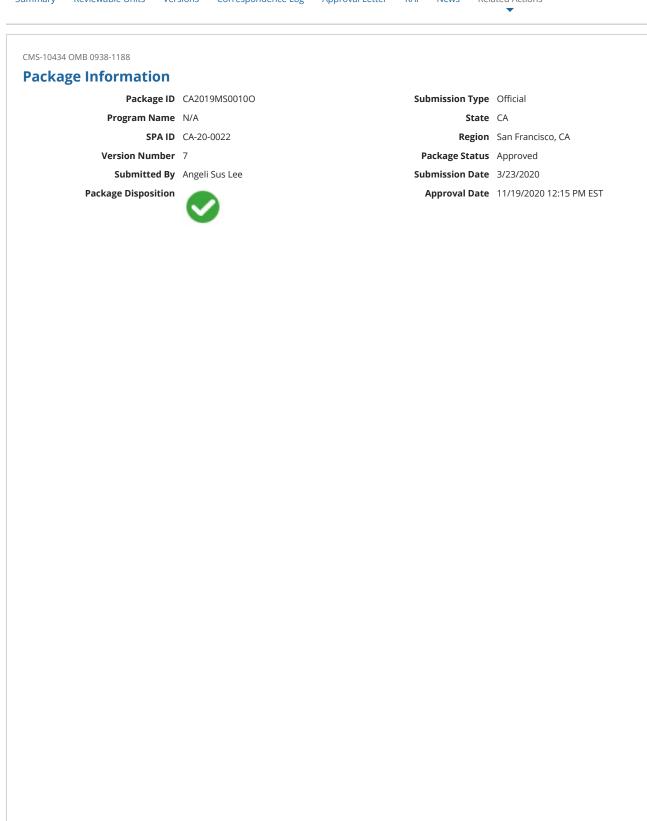
James G. Scott, Director Division of Program Operations

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#### **State Information**

State/Territory Name: California

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Health Care Services

# **Submission Component**





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Reviewable Unit	Proposed Effective Date	Superseded SPA ID
Eligibility Determinations of Individuals Age 65 or Older or Who Have Blindness or a Disability	1/1/2020	New
Non-MAGI Methodologies	1/1/2020	New
Medically Needy Income Level	1/1/2020	CA 01-017
Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown)	1/1/2020	CA 88-9
Medically Needy Resource Level	1/1/2020	CA 92-19
Mandatory Eligibility Groups	1/1/2020	New
Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries	1/1/2020	CA 07-006
Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries	1/1/2020	CA 07-006
Qualifying Individuals	1/1/2020	CA 07-006
Optional Eligibility Groups	1/1/2020	New
Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance	1/1/2020	CA-09-009
Age and Disability-Related Poverty Level	1/1/2020	CA 02-002
Work Incentives	1/1/2020	CA 11-016
Medically Needy Pregnant Women	1/1/2020	CA 07-006
Medically Needy Children under Age 18	1/1/2020	CA 07-006
Medically Needy Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21	1/1/2020	CA 07-006
Medically Needy Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	1/1/2020	CA 07-006
Medically Needy Populations Based on Age, Blindness or Disability	1/1/2020	CA 07-006

Page Number of the Superseded Plan Section or Attachment (If Applicable):

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## **Executive Summary**

Summary Description Including This State Plan Amendment intends to make all wages paid to an individual by the Census Bureau for Goals and Objectives temporary employment related to current or future census activities to be exempt for Non-Modified Adjusted Gross Income Medi-Cal programs. Allowing this exemption would provide Medi-Cal eligible individuals a unique opportunity for employment and valuable work skills training while continuing to be eligible for Medi-Cal. This income disregard is a permissible less restrictive income methodology under 1902(r)(2) authority.

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#### Federal Budget Impact and Statute/Regulation Citation

#### **Federal Budget Impact**

	Federal Fiscal Year	Amount
First	2020	\$0
Second	2021	\$0

#### Federal Statute / Regulation Citation

1902(r)(2)

Supporting documentation of budget impact is uploaded (optional).

Name	Date Created
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The submission includes the following:			
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Income/Resource Methodologie	s		
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	Eligibility Determinations of Individuals Age 65 or Older or Who Have Blindness or a Disability	0	APPROVED
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	FDC Income Standards		
	Medically Needy Income Lev	/el	
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# **Submission - Public Comment**

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Indicate whether public comment was solicited with respect to this submission.

Public notice was not federally required and comment was not solicited

Rublic notice was not federally required, but comment was solicited

Rublic notice was federally required and comment was solicited

# **Submission - Tribal Input**

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One or more Indian Health Programs or Urban Indian Organizations furnish health care services in this state



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This state plan amendment is likely to have a direct effect on Indians, Indian Health Programs or Urban Indian Organizations, as described in the state consultation plan.

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**Explain why this SPA is not likely** DHCS does not believe a Tribal to have a direct effect on Indians, Notice is required because the Indian Health Programs or Urban proposal does not make

Indian Organizations: changes to the Medi-Cal program that further restrict eligibility; or reduce payment rates or make updates to payment methodologies to Indian health programs; or reduce or restrict access to covered services for American Indian Medi-Cal beneficiaries or increase services reimbursed to Indian health programs. CMS approved DHCS' no-notice request on November 5, 2019.

# **Medicaid State Plan Eligibility**

Income/Resource Methodologies

Eligibility Determinations of Individuals Age 65 or Older or Who Have Blindness or a Disability

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# A. Eligibility Determinations of Individuals Who Are Age 65 or Older or Who Have Blindness or a Disability

Eligibility determinations of individuals who are age 65 or older or who have blindness or a disability are based on one of the following:

. SSA Eligibility Determination State (1634 State)

The state has an agreement under section 1634 of the Social Security Act for the Social Security Administration to determine Medicaid eligibility of SSI beneficiaries. For all other individuals who seek Medicaid eligibility on the basis of being age 65 or older or having blindness or a disability, the state requires a separate Medicaid application and determines financial eligibility based on SSI income and resource methodologies.

2. State Eligibility Determination (SSI Criteria State)

The state requires all individuals who seek Medicaid eligibility on the basis of being age 65 or older or having blindness or a disability, including SSI beneficiaries, to file a separate Medicaid application, and determines financial eligibility based on SSI income and resource methodologies.

3. State Eligibility Determination (209(b) State)

The state requires all individuals who seek Medicaid eligibility on the basis of being age 65 or older or having blindness or a disability, including SSI beneficiaries, to file a separate Medicaid application, and determines financial eligibility using income and resource methodologies more restrictive than SSI.

#### **B.** Additional information (optional)

# Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

#### Income/Resource Methodologies

#### Non-MAGI Methodologies

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The state will apply the methodologies as described below, and consistent with 42 CFR 435.601, 435.602, and 435.831.

#### A. Basic Financial Methodology

- 1. The state applies the income and resource methodologies of the SSI program when determining eligibility for a population based on age (65 or older) or having blindness or a disability, with the exceptions described below in B. through G.
- 2. The state applies the financial methodologies of either the SSI program or the AFDC program in effect as of July 16, 1996 (whichever is most closely related) when determining eligibility for a population based on age (as a child), pregnancy, or status as a caretaker relative, with the exceptions described below in B. through G.

#### **B.** Use of Less Restrictive Methodologies

1. The state elects to apply income and/or resources methodologies that are less restrictive than those used under the cash assistance programs, in accordance with 42 CFR 435.601(d).



No

2. The less restrictive income and resource methodologies are described on the RU for each applicable eligibility group.

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#### C. Financial Responsibility of Relatives

1. In determining financial eligibility for an individual, the state does not include income and resources from anyone other than the individual's spouse, and for individuals under age 21 or who have blindness or disability, the individual's parent.

a.The state includes the income and resources of a spouse or parent only when they are living with the individual in the same household, except as follows:

i. In the case of spouses who are age 65 or older or who have blindness or disability and who share the same room in a Medicaid institution, the state:

(1) Considers these couples either as living together or as living separately for the purpose of counting income and resources, whichever is more advantageous to the couple.

2) Considers these couples as living separately for the purpose of counting income and resources.

ii. Where applicable, the state determines income and resource eligibility consistent with the spousal impoverishment rules of section 1924 of the Act, as described in the Resource Assessment and Eligibility reviewable unit.

b. In the case of individuals under age 21 for whom AFDC is the most closely related cash assistance program, the income and resources of parents and spouses are included only if the individual would have been considered a dependent under the state's approved AFDC state plan in effect as of July 16, 1996.

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#### **D. Family Size**

- 1. The family size of an individual for whom the SSI income and resource methodologies are used (as described in section A) includes the persons identified below:
  - a. The individual applying, or
  - b. If the individual lives together with his or her spouse, the individual applying and the spouse, or
  - c. If the individual lives together with his or her parent(s) and the individual is under 21 or has blindness or a disability, the individual applying and the parent(s).

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- 2. The family size of an individual for whom the AFDC income and resource methodologies are used (as described in section A.), includes the persons who would have been included in the family under the state's July 16, 1996 AFDC state plan, except where the state has elected to use the MAGI-like methodologies (as described in section E).
- 3. The state defines family size for one or more of the following FPL eligibility groups to include others beyond those identified in D.1. and D.2.

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	a. Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (described in section 1902(a)(10)(E)(i) of the Act)
	b. Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries (described in section 1902(a)(10)(E)(iii) of the Act)
	d. Qualifying Individuals (described in section 1902(a)(10)(E)(iv) of the Act)
	d. Qualified Disabled and Working Individuals (described in section 1902(a)(10)(E)(ii) of the Act)
	e. Age and Disability-Related Poverty Level (described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) of the Act)
	Work Incentives (described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act)
	g. Family Opportunity Act Children with a Disability (described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIX) of the Act)
	h. Individuals Receiving State Plan Home and Community-Based Services (described in 42 CFR 435.219)

4. The state uses the same definition of family size for the selected FPL eligibility groups.

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- 5. For the selected FPL eligibility groups, family size is defined as follows:
- a. Family is defined as the individual, the individual's spouse and the individual's children under age 18 living together in the same household. If the individual is a child, the child's parents and siblings under age 18 are also included in the household if living together.
- . The state uses another definition of family.

Name of other definition:	Description:
Alternative definition of family for QMB, SLMB, and QI 1	Family members include spouse, parents, and children under age 21, if living together, and children 18 years of age or older but under 21, whether living in the home or away from home, being claimed as a dependent by the parent(s) in order to receive a tax credit or deduction for state or federal income tax purposes. However, if the person is 18 to 21 years of age, blind, or disabled, living in the home with the parents, not claimed as a dependent by the parent in order to receive a tax credit or deduction for state or federal income tax purposes, and not currently enrolled in school, college, university, or a course of vocational or technical training to prepare for gainful employment, the person is considered an adult.

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#### E. Use of MAGI-like Methodologies

1. The state uses MAGI-like methodologies for one or more populations for whom the most closely related cash assistance program would be the AFDC program in effect as of July 16, 1996.

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No

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## Non-MAGI Methodologies

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#### F. Countable Income Deductions for the Medically Needy

In determining countable income for individuals who are age 65 or older or who have blindness or a disability, the state deducts:

- 1. Amounts that would be deducted in determining eligibility under SSI.
- 2. The highest amounts that would be deducted in determining eligibility for optional state supplements if these supplements are paid to all individuals who are receiving SSI or would be eligible for SSI except for their income.

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# **G.** Additional Information (optional)

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Income/Resource Standards

## Medically Needy Income Level

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#### A. Income Level Used

1. The state employs a single income level for the medically needy.

2. The income level varies based on differences between shelter costs in urban and rural areas.

Yes

3. The level used is:

Household size	Standard
10	\$1684.00
1	\$517.00
2	\$642.00
3	\$800.00
4	\$950.00
5	\$1075.00
6	\$1209.00
7	\$1334.00
8	\$1450.00
9	\$1567.00

The state uses an additional incremental amount for larger household sizes.

No No

**Incremental Amount:** 

\$14.00

The dollar amounts increase automatically each year

Yes

#### Medically Needy Income Level

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#### **B.** Basis for Income Level

1. Minimum Income Level

The minimum income level for this eligibility group is the lower of the state's July 1996 AFDC payment standard or the state's income standard for the Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives eligibility group.

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2. Maximum Income Level

The maximum income level for this eligibility group is 133 1/3 percent of the higher of the state's 1996 AFDC payment standard or the state's income standard for the Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives eligibility group.

#### Medically Needy Income Level

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## **C. Additional Information (optional)**

For the household size of two adults when at least one of the adults is aged, blind, or disabled, the standard is \$800.

# **Medicaid State Plan Eligibility**

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## Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown)

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If countable income exceeds the income standard, the state must deduct from income medical expenses incurred by the individual or family or financially responsible relatives that are not subject to payment by a third party, in accordance with 42 CFR 435.831 and 42 CFR 435.121.

#### **A. Budget Periods**

	inds that do not exceed six months.
	n determining income eligibility, countable income is reduced by the amount of incurred medical or remedial care expenses during the budget iod specified below:
0	One budget period of:
	6 months
	ij. 5 months
	iji. 4 months
	iy. 3 months
	y. 2 months
	ri. 1 month
	p. More than one budget period, as described below:
2. T	he state includes part or all of the retroactive period in the budget period.
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## **B.** Types of Eligible Expenses

- 1. In determining incurred expenses to be deducted from income, the state includes:
  - a. Medicare, Medicaid, and other health insurance premiums and enrollment fees.
  - b. Cost sharing, including copayments, coinsurance, and deductibles, imposed by Medicare, Medicaid or other health insurance.
  - c. Expenses for necessary medical and remedial services recognized by state law but not included in the state plan.
  - d. Expenses for necessary medical and remedial services included in the state plan, including those that exceed limitations on the amount, duration, and scope of services.
- 2. The state also includes medical institutional expenses projected to the end of the budget period at the Medicaid reimbursement rate.



3. Incurred expenses subject to payment by a third party are not deducted unless the third party is a public program (other than Medicaid) of a state and the program is financed by the state.

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#### C. Timeframe of Deduction of Expenses

In determining incurred expenses to be deducted from income, the state deducts:

- 1. For retroactive budget periods and a budget period that includes both retroactive and prospective budget, the state deducts:
  - a. Eligible expenses incurred during the budget period, whether paid or unpaid.
  - b. Payments made during the budget period on eligible expenses incurred at any time prior to the budget period, if not previously deducted in establishing eligibility.
  - c. Unpaid eligible expenses, which have not been deducted previously in establishing eligibility, and were incurred:
    - At any time prior to the budget period.
    - ij. Prior to the third month before the month of application, but no earlier than:

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- iji. No earlier than the third month before the month of application.
- 2. For prospective budget period(s), the state deducts:
  - a. Eligible expenses incurred during the budget period, whether paid or unpaid.
  - b. Payments made during the budget period on eligible expenses incurred at any time prior to the budget period, if not previously deducted in establishing eligibility.
  - c. Unpaid eligible expenses that are carried over from the prior budget period and have not been deducted previously in establishing eligibility.

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## **D. Order of Deduction of Expenses**

Incurred medical or remedial care expenses are deducted in the following order:

. By the type of service, in the following order:

- a. Premiums, deductibles, coinsurance and co-payments.
- b. Expenses for necessary medical or remedial care services that are recognized under state law but not included in the State Plan.
- c. Expenses for necessary medical or remedial care services that are included in the state Plan that exceed agency limitations on amount, duration, or scope of services.
- d. Expenses for necessary medical or remedial care services that are included in the state Plan that are within the agency limitations on amount, duration, or scope of services.
- 2. In chronological order by the date of the service, or the date cost sharing payments are due.
- 3. In chronological order by the date the bill is submitted to the state by the individual.

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#### Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown)

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# **E. Reasonable Limitations**

The state sets reasonable limits on the amount to be deducted for expenses.



No

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#### F. Spenddown Payments Made by Individuals

The state permits individuals to pay-in their spenddown liability.



No

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# **Medicaid State Plan Eligibility**

Income/Resource Standards

#### Medically Needy Resource Level

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#### A. Medically Needy Resource Level Structure

- 1. The state employs a single resource level for the medically needy.
- 2. The resource level is equal to or higher than the lowest resource standard used under the most closely related cash assistance program.

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# Medically Needy Resource Level

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# **B.** Resource Level Used

The level used is:

Household size	Standard
2	\$3000.00
1	\$2000.00
3	\$3150.00
4	\$3300.00
5	\$3450.00
6	\$3600.00
7	\$3750.00
8	\$3900.00
9	\$4050.00
10	\$4200.00

The state uses an additional incremental amount for larger household sizes.



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# Medically Needy Resource Level

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## **C. Additional Information (optional)**

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# **Medicaid State Plan Eligibility**

## **Mandatory Eligibility Groups**

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# **Mandatory Coverage**

A. The state provides Medicaid to mandatory groups of individuals. The mandatory groups covered are:

#### **Families and Adults**

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package 🕢	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 😯
Infants and Children under Age 19	ø			0	CONVERTED
Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	ø			0	CONVERTED
Pregnant Women	P			0	CONVERTED
Deemed Newborns	ø			0	NEW
Children with Title IV-E Adoption Assistance, Foster Care or Guardianship Care	P			0	NEW
Former Foster Care Children	P			0	NEW
Transitional Medical Assistance	ø			0	NEW
Extended Medicaid due to Spousal Support Collections	ø			0	NEW

#### Aged, Blind and Disabled

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package 🕢	cluded in Another ission Package	Source Type 🛭
SSI Beneficiaries	P			0	NEW
Closed Eligibility Groups	Ø			0	NEW
Individuals Deemed To Be Receiving SSI	P			0	NEW
	ø			0	NEW

Eligibility Group Name Working Individuals under 1619(b)		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package 🕢	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type <b>②</b>
Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries	ø			0	APPROVED
Qualified Disabled and Working Individuals	P			0	NEW
Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries	P			0	APPROVED
Qualifying ndividuals	ø			0	APPROVED

# **Mandatory Eligibility Groups**

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B. The state elects the Adult Group, described at 42 CFR 435.119.



### **Families and Adults**

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package <b>②</b>	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type <b>②</b>
Adult Group	P			0	CONVERTED

C. Additional Information (optional)

# **Eligibility Groups Deselected from Coverage**

The following eligibility groups were previously covered in the source approved version of the state plan and deselected from coverage as part of this submission package:

• N/A

# Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

Eligibility Groups - Mandatory Coverage

# **Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries**

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Individuals with income equal to or less than 100% of the FPL, who are entitled to Medicare Part A, and who qualify for Medicare cost-sharing.

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The state covers the mandatory qualified Medicare beneficiaries group in accordance with the following provisions:

### **A. Characteristics**

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Are entitled to hospital insurance benefits under part A of title XVIII (Medicare Part A), including individuals who have purchased a premium to
- 2. Have income and resources at or below the standard for this group.

# **Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries**

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# **B.** Financial Methodologies

1. SSI methodologies are used in calculating household income. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.

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No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

A specified type of income is disregarded:

**Description of disregard:** As permitted under Section

1902(r)(2), all wages paid to an individual by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to current or future census activities shall be exempt.

Name of income type:	Description:
Income used to pay spousal or child support	Reference to Supplement 3 of Attachment 2.6 A:  The agency uses the same income disregards as used in SSI except as follows:  Income which must, by court order or by agreement with a district attorney (DA), be used to pay spousal or child support is held to be unavailable to set the current needs of ABD-MN applicants and beneficiaries. In these cases the lower of 1) the amount ordered by the court or the DA agreement, or 2) the amount actually paid is deducted from the reported income.
In-home caregiver wages	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 8:  In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met: 1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal,

Name of income type:	Description:
	state or local government program.
	Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt. These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2): • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10)
	(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 9:
Kinship Guardianship Benefit Payments	As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), in determining eligibility for the following coverage groups, State funded benefit payments under the State's Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (also known as Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program -Enhanced) shall be exempt.  These coverage groups are: 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1902(a)(10)(C)
	(i)(III), and 1905(p).

 ${\bf 3. \ Less \ restrictive \ methodologies \ are \ used \ in \ calculating \ countable \ resources.}$ 

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No	
The less restrictive resource methodologies a	re:

The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to resources set aside for burial.

Specified methodology for the treatment of resources set aside for burial:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Burial Funds	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a, Page 2:
	All of the following shall be disregarded in determining eligibility in their entirety and shall not be applied against a single \$1500 limit:
	(1) All of the following burial related funds:
	(a) The first \$1500 paid for clearly designated burial funds such as burial insurance policies with cash surrender values, revocable burial trusts,

Description:

		revocable burial contracts, or other revocable burial arrangements.
		(b) Irrevocable burial trusts or irrevocable burial contracts, or other irrevocable burial arrangements.
		(c) Burial insurance policies without cash surrender values.
		(2) Life insurance policies on the life of any individual in the family shall be exempt if the combined face value of all of the policies on the insured individual is \$1500 or less.
		(3) All dividends and interest that accrue to and are not removed from the burial fund or policy described in (1) or (2).
		The disregard of life insurance policies and burial related funds is allowed for all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
		(a)(10)(A)(ii), (a)(10)(C)(i)(III), and 1905(p)
The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to the treatme	ent of motor vehicles.	
A motor vehicle is disregarded un	der specific conditions.	
	Specified conditions:	: As referenced in SUPPLEMENT
	Description	8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a Page 11:
		One motor vehicle per budget unit shall be exempt regardless of value or use. The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
A specified type of resource is disregarded:		
	Name of resource type:	Description:

Name of methodology:

#### Unpaid incurred medical bills

#### Description:

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 5.

Pursuant to court order in Principe v. Belshe (Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 96CSOO115), a resource disregard would be allowed equal to the amount of incurred medical bills that are unpaid in the month where there are excess resources for the entire month,

- only when payment of those medical bills occurs in a later month, and
- verification of payment is provided.

This disregard would be allowed no earlier than the month of application (may not be one of the three months prior to the month of application).

The requirements listed above would have to be met before eligibility is granted for the month throughout which the excess resources existed.

This disregard would apply only to individuals who have excess resources for the entire month but who are otherwise eligible in that month under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

#### Japanese Reparation Payments

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 6.

Japanese Reparation payments made by the Canadian government shall be exempt from consideration in determining eligibility for Medi-Cal.

Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments shall be exempt if received by the spouse or inherited from the spouse who was the original recipient, or both.

Where Japanese Reparation

Name of resource type:	payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments, are converted to another form, amounts of otherwise excess, nonexempt resources sufficient to ensure that the amount of the exemption equals the amount of the reparation payments received by the individual or inherited by the spouse of the individual, or both, shall not be considered as resources in determining eligibility for Medi Cal.  These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Socia Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • (a)(10)(A)(iii)
	(VI) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) • (a)(10)(A) (ii)(XIII) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p) As referenced in SUPPLEMENT
	8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 8:  In considering all of the various items of resources where the SSI program and the AFDC program have differing methodologies, the State shall follow the methodology of the least restrictive of either the SS program or the AFDC program.  • The general rules contained in the paragraph above shall apply to determine the
SSI and AFDC differing methodologies	apply to determine the resource methodologies employed in consideration of all resource items unless a more specific methodology for a specific resource item is otherwise set forth and included in the State plan.
	The above paragraphs apply to the resources of all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

#### Description:

The principal residence shall not be considered as a resource if any of the following circumstances exist (this is in addition to the reasons specified by the SSI program and the AFDC program):

- if a child under the age of 21 lives on the property, or
  if a dependent relative lives on the property, (for this purpose only, a disabled child age 21 or over shall be considered a dependent relative),
- if a sibling or child age 21 or over of the applicant or beneficiary has continuously resided on the property for at least one year immediately prior to the date the applicant or beneficiary entered a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility and continues to reside there, or
- if the property cannot be readily converted to cash but a bona fide effort is being made to sell the property. A bona fide effort to sell means that the property is listed for sale with a licensed real estate broker for its fair market value established by a qualified real estate appraiser, a good faith effort is being made to sell the property, offers at fair market value are accepted, and the applicant or beneficiary has supplied proof of compliance with these conditions to the county.

The above paragraphs apply to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 1.

A resource disregard is given to an individual who has purchased a precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract which covers long-term care and has used such policy or plan to pay for services.

### Name of resource type: Description: Services which the individual receives and are paid for by the precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract, which covers long-term care, must not be delivered by a member of the individual's family, unless: • The family member is a regular employee of an organization which is providing the services; and • The organization receives the payment for the services: and • The family member receives no compensation other than the normal compensation for employees in his or her job category. The amount of the disregard is equal to the lesser of the following amounts: • the amount of payments made for services by the insurance policy; or • the actual charge for the services. Such disregard is in effect for the lifetime of the individual. The disregard is also allowed if a Medicaid application is filed on behalf of a deceased individual for payment of costs for care and services received by the individual during his or her lifetime. The disregard of resources is allowed for aged. blind and disabled individuals who are otherwise eligible and: A. Medically Needy [1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III)], or B. Optional Categorically Needy [1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)]. except those who are included in Section 1902 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)(XI) and 1902(a)(10) (A) (ii)(IV) who are receiving Supplemental Security Income Payments under Title XVI or a State Supplemental Payment. C. Who are Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries [1905(p)]. Bona fide, good faith effort to As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page sell or liquidate resource The value of resources shall be disregarded when there is a bona fide, good faith effort being made to sell or liquidate the resource. The value of the

resource shall be disregarded

#### Description:

for as long as the bona fide good faith effort to sell or liquidate continues to be made. This methodology is essentially the same as the methodology applied to resources being sold or liquidated in the eligibility determinations of the SSI and AFDC program, however, since there is no conditional eligibility in the Medicaid program, the applicant/beneficiary shall not be required to sign, as a condition of eligibility, a statement agreeing to make repayment upon the sale of the property.

The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

# Restitution payments made to Holocaust victims

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 12 and 13:

Excludable restitution
payments made to a holocaust
victim or his or her heirs or
beneficiaries shall be
considered an exempt
resource for the purpose of
determining eligibility to
receive Medi-Cal benefits or
the amounts of those benefits.

A "holocaust victim" is a person who was persecuted by Nazi Germany, any other Axis regime, or any other Nazi controlled or Nazi-allied country:

(1) on the basis of race, religion, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation;(2) during any period before, during or after.

An "excludable restitution payment" is any payment or distribution, recovered or returned asset or property, received directly by a holocaust victim or heirs or beneficiaries of a holocaust victim:

(1) as compensation pursuant to the German Act Regulating

#### Description:

Unresolved Property Claims, as amended (Gesetz zur Regelung offener Vermogensfragen); (2) as a result of a settlement of claims against any entity or individual for any recovered asset. A "recovered asset" is any asset of any type, including any bank deposits, insurance proceeds, artwork, or interest earned on any of these assets, owned by a holocaust victim, withheld from that holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries and recovered, returned or otherwise compensated to the holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries; (3) as a payment or restitution provided by law, or by a fund, established by any foreign country, the United States of America, or any other foreign or domestic entity, or as a result of a final resolution of a legal action; (4) as a direct or indirect return of, or compensation or reparation for, assets stolen or hidden from, or otherwise lost to, the individual before, during or immediately after World War II, including any insurance proceeds under policies issued

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)

on the individual by European insurance companies immediately before and during

(5) as interest, payable as part of any payment or distribution described in the paragraph.

World War II; or

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

In-home caregiver resource disregard

Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6A, Page 13

In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met:

1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.

### Description:

Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

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### C. Income Standard Used

The amount of the income standard for this group is 100% FPL.

### **D. Resource Standard Used**

The resource standard is the same used to determine eligibility for the Medicare Part D full-benefit low-income subsidy (LIS) (but without regard to the life insurance policy exclusion applied in LIS resource eligibility determinations). This standard is three times the SSI resource standard, adjusted annually in accordance with the consumer price index.

## **E. Medical Assistance Provided**

Medical assistance is limited to payment of co-insurance and deductibles for Medicare Parts A, B and C and payment for the premiums for Medicare Parts A and B

Medical assistance begins the first day of the month following the month in which the individual is determined to qualify for this eligibility group.

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# Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

Eligibility Groups - Mandatory Coverage

# **Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries**

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Individuals with income above 100% and below 120% of the FPL who are entitled to Medicare Part A, who qualify for payment of Medicare Part B premiums.

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The state covers the mandatory specified low income Medicare beneficiaries group in accordance with the following provisions:

### **A. Characteristics**

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Would qualify as Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (described in section 1905(p)(1) of the Act), except that their income exceeds the income level for that eligibility group.
- 2. Have income below the income standard and resources at or below the resource standard for this group.

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# **B. Financial Methodologies**

- 1. SSI methodologies are used in calculating household income. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.
- ${\bf 2. \ Less \ restrictive \ methodologies \ are \ used \ in \ calculating \ countable \ income.}$

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No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

A specified type of income is disregarded:

**Description of disregard:** As permitted under Section

As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), all wages paid to an individual by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to current or future census activities shall be exempt.

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Name of income type:	Description:
Income used to pay spousal or child support	Reference to Supplement 3 of Attachment 2.6 A:  The agency uses the same income disregards as used in SSI except as follows:  Income which must, by court order or by agreement with a district attorney (DA), be used to pay spousal or child support is held to be unavailable to set the current needs of ABD-MN applicants and beneficiaries. In these cases the lower of 1) the amount ordered by the court or the DA agreement, or 2) the amount actually paid is deducted from the reported income.
In-home caregiver wages	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 8:  In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met: 1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal,

Name of income type:	Description:
	state or local government program.
	Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt. These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2): • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10)
	(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)  As referenced in Supplement
Kinship Guardianship Benefit Payments	8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 9: As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), in determining eligibility for the following coverage groups, State funded benefit payments under the State's Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (also known as Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program -Enhanced) shall be exempt.
	These coverage groups are: 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1902(a)(10)(C) (i)(III), and 1905(p).

 ${\bf 3. \ Less \ restrictive \ methodologies \ are \ used \ in \ calculating \ countable \ resources.}$ 

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No	

The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to resources set aside for burial.

Specified methodology for the treatment of resources set aside for burial:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Burial Funds	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a, Page 2:
	All of the following shall be disregarded in determining eligibility in their entirety and shall not be applied against a single \$1500 limit:
	(1) All of the following burial related funds:
	(a) The first \$1500 paid for clearly designated burial funds such as burial insurance policies with cash surrender values, revocable burial trusts,

	Name of methodology:	Description:
		revocable burial contracts, or other revocable burial arrangements.
		(b) Irrevocable burial trusts or irrevocable burial contracts, or other irrevocable burial arrangements.
		(c) Burial insurance policies without cash surrender values.
		(2) Life insurance policies on the life of any individual in the family shall be exempt if the combined face value of all of the policies on the insured individual is \$1500 or less.
		(3) All dividends and interest that accrue to and are not removed from the burial fund or policy described in (1) or (2).
		The disregard of life insurance policies and burial related funds is allowed for all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
		(a)(10)(A)(ii), (a)(10)(C)(i)(III), and 1905(p)
The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to the treatme		
	\$pecified conditions:	
		: As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a Page 11:
		One motor vehicle per budget unit shall be exempt regardless of value or use. The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
		• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
A specified type of resource is disregarded:		
	Name of resource type:	Description:

#### Principal residence disregard

#### Description:

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page o.

The principal residence shall not be considered as a resource if any of the following circumstances exist (this is in addition to the reasons specified by the SSI program and the AFDC program):

- if a child under the age of 21 lives on the property, or
  if a dependent relative lives on the property, (for this purpose only, a disabled child age 21 or over shall be considered a dependent relative),
- if a sibling or child age 21 or over of the applicant or beneficiary has continuously resided on the property for at least one year immediately prior to the date the applicant or beneficiary entered a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility and continues to reside there, or
- if the property cannot be readily converted to cash but a bona fide effort is being made to sell the property. A bona fide effort to sell means that the property is listed for sale with a licensed real estate broker for its fair market value established by a qualified real estate appraiser, a good faith effort is being made to sell the property, offers at fair market value are accepted, and the applicant or beneficiary has supplied proof of compliance with these conditions to the county.

The above paragraphs apply to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Bona fide, good faith effort to sell or liquidate resource

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page

The value of resources shall be disregarded when there is a bona fide, good faith effort being made to sell or liquidate the resource. The value of the

#### Description:

resource shall be disregarded for as long as the bona fide good faith effort to sell or liquidate continues to be made. This methodology is essentially the same as the methodology applied to resources being sold or liquidated in the eligibility determinations of the SSI and AFDC program, however, since there is no conditional eligibility in the Medicaid program, the applicant/beneficiary shall not be required to sign, as a condition of eligibility, a statement agreeing to make repayment upon the sale of the property.

The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

# Restitution payments made to Holocaust victims

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 12 and 13:

Excludable restitution
payments made to a holocaust
victim or his or her heirs or
beneficiaries shall be
considered an exempt
resource for the purpose of
determining eligibility to
receive Medi-Cal benefits or
the amounts of those benefits.

A "holocaust victim" is a person who was persecuted by Nazi Germany, any other Axis regime, or any other Nazi controlled or Nazi-allied country:

(1) on the basis of race, religion, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation;(2) during any period before, during or after.

An "excludable restitution payment" is any payment or distribution, recovered or returned asset or property, received directly by a holocaust victim or heirs or beneficiaries of a holocaust victim:

(1) as compensation pursuant

#### Description:

to the German Act Regulating Unresolved Property Claims, as amended (Gesetz zur Regelung offener Vermogensfragen); (2) as a result of a settlement of claims against any entity or individual for any recovered asset. A "recovered asset" is any asset of any type, including any bank deposits, insurance proceeds, artwork, or interest earned on any of these assets, owned by a holocaust victim, withheld from that holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries and recovered, returned or otherwise compensated to the holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries; (3) as a payment or restitution provided by law, or by a fund, established by any foreign country, the United States of America, or any other foreign or domestic entity, or as a result of a final resolution of a legal action: (4) as a direct or indirect return of, or compensation or reparation for, assets stolen or hidden from, or otherwise lost to, the individual before, during or immediately after World War II, including any insurance proceeds under policies issued on the individual by European insurance companies immediately before and during World War II; or (5) as interest, payable as part of any payment or distribution described in the paragraph.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

In-home caregiver resource disregard

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In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met:

1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.

### Name of resource type: Description: Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt. These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2): • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p) As referenced in SUPPLEMENT Precertified long-term care 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page insurance policy or health care service plan contract A resource disregard is given to an individual who has purchased a precertified longterm care insurance policy or health care service plan contract which covers longterm care and has used such policy or plan to pay for services. Services which the individual receives and are paid for by the precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract, which covers long-term care, must not be delivered by a member of the individual's family, unless: • The family member is a regular employee of an organization which is providing the services; and • The organization receives the payment for the services: and • The family member receives no compensation other than the normal compensation for employees in his or her job category. The amount of the disregard is equal to the lesser of the following amounts: • the amount of payments made for services by the insurance policy; or • the actual charge for the services. Such disregard is in effect for the lifetime of the individual. The disregard is also allowed if a Medicaid application is filed on behalf of a deceased individual for payment of costs

for care and services received by the individual during his or

Name of resource type:	Description:
	her lifetime.
	The disregard of resources is allowed for aged. blind and disabled individuals who are otherwise eligible and: A. Medically Needy [1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III)], or B. Optional Categorically Needy [1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)]. except those who are included in Section 1902 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)(IV) who are receiving Supplemental Security Income Payments under Title XVI or a State Supplemental Payment. or C. Who are Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries [1905(p)].
	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 5:
	Pursuant to court order in Principe v. Belshe (Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 96CSOO115), a resource disregard would be allowed equal to the amount of incurred medical bills that are unpaid in the month where there are excess resources for the entire month,
	<ul> <li>only when payment of those medical bills occurs in a later month, and</li> <li>verification of payment is provided.</li> </ul>
Unpaid incurred medical bills	This disregard would be allowed no earlier than the month of application (may not be one of the three months prior to the month of application).
	The requirements listed above would have to be met before eligibility is granted for the month throughout which the excess resources existed.
	This disregard would apply only to individuals who have excess resources for the entire month but who are otherwise eligible in that month under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

#### Japanese Reparation Payments

#### Description:

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page

Japanese Reparation payments made by the Canadian government shall be exempt from consideration in determining eligibility for Medi-

Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments shall be exempt if received by the spouse or inherited from the spouse who was the original recipient, or both.

Where Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments, are converted to another form, amounts of otherwise excess, nonexempt resources sufficient to ensure that the amount of the exemption equals the amount of the reparation payments received by the individual or inherited by the spouse of the individual, or both, shall not be considered as resources in determining eligibility for Medical

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • (a)(10)(A)(ii) (VI) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) • (a)(10)(A) (ii)(XIII) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

# SSI and AFDC differing methodologies

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 8.

In considering all of the various items of resources where the SSI program and the AFDC program have differing methodologies, the State shall follow the methodology of the least restrictive of either the SSI program or the AFDC program.

• The general rules contained in the paragraph above shall apply to determine the resource methodologies employed in consideration of all resource items unless a more specific methodology for a specific resource item is

### Description:

otherwise set forth and included in the State plan.

The above paragraphs apply to the resources of all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

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# Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries

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### C. Income Standard Used

Family income must be above 100% FPL and below 120% FPL.

## **D. Resource Standard Used**

The resource standard is the same used to determine eligibility for the Medicare Part D full-benefit low-income subsidy (LIS) (but without regard to the life insurance policy exclusion applied in LIS resource eligibility determinations). This standard is three times the SSI resource standard, adjusted annually in accordance with the consumer price index.

## **E. Medical Assistance Provided**

 $\label{eq:medical} \mbox{Medical assistance is limited to payment for Medicare Part B premiums.}$ 

# Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries

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# **Medicaid State Plan Eligibility**

# Eligibility Groups - Mandatory Coverage

# **Qualifying Individuals**

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Individuals with income at or above 120% and below 135% of the FPL who are entitled to Medicare Part A, who qualify for payment of Medicare Part B

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The state covers the mandatory qualifying individuals group in accordance with the following provisions:

### **A. Characteristics**

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet all of the following criteria:

- 1. Would qualify as Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (described in section 1905(p)(1) of the Act), except that their income exceeds the income level for that eligibility group.
- 2. Are not otherwise eligible for Medicaid under the state plan.
- 3. Have income below the income standard and resources at or below the resource standard for this group.

# **Qualifying Individuals**

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# **B. Financial Methodologies**

- 1. SSI methodologies are used in calculating household income. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.
- ${\bf 2. \ Less \ restrictive \ methodologies \ are \ used \ in \ calculating \ countable \ income.}$

No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

A specified type of income is disregarded:

**Description of disregard:** As permitted under Section

1902(r)(2), all wages paid to an individual by the Census Bureau for temporary

employment related to current or future census activities shall be exempt.

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Name of income type:	Description:
Income used to pay spousal or child support	Reference to Supplement 3 of Attachment 2.6 A:  The agency uses the same income disregards as used in SSI except as follows:  Income which must, by court order or by agreement with a district attorney (DA), be used to pay spousal or child support is held to be unavailable to set the current needs of ABD-MN applicants and beneficiaries. In these cases the lower of 1) the amount ordered by the court or the DA agreement, or 2) the amount actually paid is deducted from the reported income.
In-home caregiver wages	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 8: In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met: 1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal,

Name of income type:	Description:
	state or local government program.
	Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt. These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10)
	(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Kinship Guardianship Benefit Payments	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 9:  As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), in determining eligibility for the following coverage groups, State funded benefit payments under the State's Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (also known as Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program -Enhanced) shall be exempt.  These coverage groups are: 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1902(a)(10)(C) (i)(III), and 1905(p).

 ${\bf 3. \ Less \ restrictive \ methodologies \ are \ used \ in \ calculating \ countable \ resources.}$ 

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The less restrictive	resource	methodo	logie	es	are:

The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to resources set aside for burial.

Specified methodology for the treatment of resources set aside for burial:

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Name of methodology:	Description:
Burial Funds	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a, Page 2:
	All of the following shall be disregarded in determining eligibility in their entirety and shall not be applied against a single \$1500 limit:
	(1) All of the following burial related funds:
	(a) The first \$1500 paid for clearly designated burial funds such as burial insurance policies with cash surrender values, revocable burial trusts,

	Name of methodology:	Description:
		revocable burial contracts, or other revocable burial arrangements.
		(b) Irrevocable burial trusts or irrevocable burial contracts, or other irrevocable burial arrangements.
		(c) Burial insurance policies without cash surrender values.
		(2) Life insurance policies on the life of any individual in the family shall be exempt if the combined face value of all of the policies on the insured individual is \$1500 or less.
		(3) All dividends and interest that accrue to and are not removed from the burial fund or policy described in (1) or (2).
		The disregard of life insurance policies and burial related funds is allowed for all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
		(a)(10)(A)(ii), (a)(10)(C)(i)(III), and 1905(p)
The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to the treatme		
	\$pecified conditions:	
		: As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a Page 11:
		One motor vehicle per budget unit shall be exempt regardless of value or use. The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
		• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
A specified type of resource is disregarded:		
	Name of resource type:	Description:

#### SSI and AFDC differing methodologies

#### Description:

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page

In considering all of the various items of resources where the SSI program and the AFDC program have differing methodologies, the State shall follow the methodology of the least restrictive of either the SSI program or the AFDC program.

• The general rules contained in the paragraph above shall apply to determine the resource methodologies employed in consideration of all resource items unless a more specific methodology for a specific resource item is otherwise set forth and included in the State plan.

The above paragraphs apply to the resources of all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

#### Principal residence disregard

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page

The principal residence shall not be considered as a resource if any of the following circumstances exist (this is in addition to the reasons specified by the SSI program and the AFDC program):

- if a child under the age of 21 lives on the property, or • if a dependent relative lives on the property, (for this purpose only, a disabled child age 21 or over shall be considered a dependent relative),
- if a sibling or child age 21 or over of the applicant or beneficiary has continuously resided on the property for at least one year immediately prior to the date the applicant or beneficiary entered a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility and continues to reside there, or
- if the property cannot be

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readily converted to cash but a bona fide effort is being made to sell the property. A bona fide effort to sell means that the property is listed for sale with a licensed real estate broker for its fair market value established by a qualified real estate appraiser, a good faith effort is being made to sell the property, offers at fair market value are accepted, and the applicant or beneficiary has supplied proof of compliance with these conditions to the county.

The above paragraphs apply to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 1.

A resource disregard is given to an individual who has purchased a precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract which covers long-term care and has used such policy or plan to pay for services.

Services which the individual receives and are paid for by the precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract, which covers long-term care, must not be delivered by a member of the individual's family, unless:

- The family member is a regular employee of an organization which is providing the services; and
- The organization receives the payment for the services: and
- The family member receives no compensation other than the normal compensation for employees in his or her job category.

The amount of the disregard is equal to the lesser of the following amounts:

• the amount of payments made for services by the

#### Description:

insurance policy; or
• the actual charge for the
services

Such disregard is in effect for the lifetime of the individual. The disregard is also allowed if a Medicaid application is filed on behalf of a deceased individual for payment of costs for care and services received by the individual during his or her lifetime.

The disregard of resources is allowed for aged. blind and disabled individuals who are otherwise eligible and: A. Medically Needy [1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III)], or B. Optional Categorically Needy [1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)]. except those who are included in Section 1902 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)(XI) and 1902(a)(10) (A) (ii)(IV) who are receiving Supplemental Security Income Payments under Title XVI or a State Supplemental Payment. C. Who are Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries [1905(p)].

# Bona fide, good faith effort to sell or liquidate resource

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 10:

The value of resources shall be disregarded when there is a bona fide, good faith effort being made to sell or liquidate the resource. The value of the resource shall be disregarded for as long as the bona fide good faith effort to sell or liquidate continues to be made. This methodology is essentially the same as the methodology applied to resources being sold or liquidated in the eligibility determinations of the SSI and AFDC program, however, since there is no conditional eligibility in the Medicaid program, the applicant/beneficiary shall not be required to sign, as a condition of eligibility, a statement agreeing to make repayment upon the sale of the property.

The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social

Name of resource type:	Description:
	Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 5:
	Pursuant to court order in Principe v. Belshe (Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 96CSOO115), a resource disregard would be allowed equal to the amount of incurred medical bills that are unpaid in the month where there are excess resources for the entire month,
	<ul> <li>only when payment of those medical bills occurs in a later month, and</li> <li>verification of payment is provided.</li> </ul>
Unpaid incurred medical bills	This disregard would be allowed no earlier than the month of application (may not be one of the three months prior to the month of application).
	The requirements listed above would have to be met before eligibility is granted for the month throughout which the excess resources existed.
	This disregard would apply only to individuals who have excess resources for the entire month but who are otherwise eligible in that month under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Japanese Reparation Payments	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 6:
	Japanese Reparation payments made by the Canadian government shall be exempt from consideration in determining eligibility for Medical.
	Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments shall be exempt if

#### Description:

received by the spouse or inherited from the spouse who was the original recipient, or both.

Where Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments, are converted to another form, amounts of otherwise excess, nonexempt resources sufficient to ensure that the amount of the exemption equals the amount of the reparation payments received by the individual or inherited by the spouse of the individual, or both, shall not be considered as resources in determining eligibility for Medi-Cal

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • (a)(10)(A)(ii) (VI) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) • (a)(10)(A) (ii)(XIII) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

## Restitution payments made to Holocaust victims

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 12 and 13:

Excludable restitution
payments made to a holocaust
victim or his or her heirs or
beneficiaries shall be
considered an exempt
resource for the purpose of
determining eligibility to
receive Medi-Cal benefits or
the amounts of those benefits.

A "holocaust victim" is a person who was persecuted by Nazi Germany, any other Axis regime, or any other Nazi controlled or Nazi-allied country:

(1) on the basis of race, religion, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation;(2) during any period before, during or after.

An "excludable restitution payment" is any payment or distribution, recovered or returned asset or property, received directly by a holocaust victim or heirs or beneficiaries of a holocaust victim:

(1) as compensation pursuant to the German Act Regulating

#### Description:

Unresolved Property Claims, as amended (Gesetz zur Regelung offener Vermogensfragen); (2) as a result of a settlement of claims against any entity or individual for any recovered asset. A "recovered asset" is any asset of any type, including any bank deposits, insurance proceeds, artwork, or interest earned on any of these assets, owned by a holocaust victim, withheld from that holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries and recovered, returned or otherwise compensated to the holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries; (3) as a payment or restitution provided by law, or by a fund, established by any foreign country, the United States of America, or any other foreign or domestic entity, or as a result of a final resolution of a legal action; (4) as a direct or indirect return of, or compensation or reparation for, assets stolen or hidden from, or otherwise lost to, the individual before, during or immediately after World

or immediately after World War II, including any insurance proceeds under policies issued on the individual by European insurance companies immediately before and during World War II; or (5) as interest, payable as part of any payment or distribution described in the paragraph.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

In-home caregiver resource disregard

Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6A, Page 13

In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met:

1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.

### Description:

Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

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### C. Income Standard Used

Family income must be at or above 120% FPL and below 135% FPL.

#### D. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard is the same used to determine eligibility for the Medicare Part D full-benefit low-income subsidy (LIS) (but without regard to the life insurance policy exclusion applied in LIS resource eligibility determinations). This standard is three times the SSI resource standard, adjusted annually in accordance with the consumer price index.

### **E. Medical Assistance Provided**

 $\label{eq:medical} \mbox{Medical assistance is limited to payment for Medicare Part B premiums.}$ 

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# **Medicaid State Plan Eligibility**

### **Optional Eligibility Groups**

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### **A. Options for Coverage**

The state provides Medicaid to specified optional groups of individuals.

es No

The optional eligibility groups covered in the state plan are (elections made in this screen may not be comprehensive during the transition period from the paper-based state plan to MACPro):

#### **Families and Adults**

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package 🕢	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type <b>②</b>
Optional Coverage of Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	P			0	NEW
Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21	P			0	CONVERTED
Children with Non- IV-E Adoption Assistance	P			0	CONVERTED
Independent Foster Care Adolescents	ø			0	CONVERTED
Optional Targeted Low Income Children	P			0	CONVERTED
Individuals above 133% FPL under Age 65	P			0	NEW
Individuals Needing Treatment for Breast or Cervical Cancer	P			0	NEW
Individuals Eligible for Family Planning Services	P			0	CONVERTED
Individuals with Tuberculosis	P			0	CONVERTED
Individuals Electing COBRA Continuation Coverage	P			0	NEW

Aged, Blind and Disabled

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package 🕢	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 🛭
Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance	P			0	APPROVED
Individuals Eligible for Cash Except for Institutionalization	P			0	NEW
Individuals Receiving Home and Community- Based Waiver Services under Institutional Rules	P			0	NEW
Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries	P			0	NEW
Individuals in Institutions Eligible under a Special Income Level	P			0	NEW
PACE Participants	<b>9</b>			0	NEW
Individuals Receiving Hospice	ø			0	NEW
Children under Age 19 with a Disability	P			0	NEW
Age and Disability- Related Poverty Level	P			0	APPROVED
Work Incentives	ø			0	APPROVED
Ticket to Work Basic	P			0	NEW
Ticket to Work Medical Improvements	P			0	NEW
Family Opportunity Act Children with a Disability	P			0	NEW
Individuals Receiving State Plan Home and Community-Based Services	P			0	NEW
Individuals Receiving State Plan Home and Community-Based Services Who Are Otherwise Eligible for HCBS Waivers	ø			0	NEW

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B. Medically Nee	edy Options	for Coverage			
he state provides Medic	aid to specified gro	oups of individuals who a	re medically needy.		
ne medically needy eligibi	ility groups covered i	in the state plan are:			
. Mandatory Me		·			
. Mandatory Me	edically Need	ıy.			
amilies and Adults					
Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package 🚱	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type
Medically Needy Pregnant Women	Ø			0	APPROVED
Medically Needy Children under Age 18	ø			0	APPROVED
ged, Blind and Disa	bled				
Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package 🚱	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type <b>②</b>
Protected Medically Needy Individuals Who Were Eligible in 1973	ø			0	NEW
2. Optional Medi	cally Needy:				
amilies and Adults					
Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package 🕢	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 😯
Medically Needy Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21	•			0	APPROVED
Medically Needy Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	P			0	APPROVED

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package <b>②</b>	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 😯
Medically Needy lopulations Based in Age, Blindness or bisability	P			0	APPROVED

### **Optional Eligibility Groups**

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### **C. Additional Information (optional)**

### **Eligibility Groups Deselected from Coverage**

The following eligibility groups were previously covered in the source approved version of the state plan and deselected from coverage as part of this submission package:

N/A

## **Medicaid State Plan Eligibility**

**Eligibility Groups - Options for Coverage** 

### Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance

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Individuals who are eligible for but not receiving federal cash assistance or an optional state supplement.

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The state covers the optional Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

### A. Characteristics

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

1. Meet the eligibility requirements of at least one of the following cash assistance programs:

a. SSI

b. Optional State Supplement

c. AFD0

2. Do not receive cash assistance under these programs.

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Individuals Covered			
The state covers all individuals who	o meet the characteristics described in section ,	Α.	
No			
The state covers the following pop	ulations:		
	a. Individuals age 65 or older		
	b. Individuals who have blindness		
	d. Individuals who have a disability		
	d. All children under a specified age limit:		
	e. Reasonable classifications of children		
	f. Parents and other caretaker relatives		
	g. Pregnant women		
	ի. Other population		

### Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance

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### C. Financial Methodologies

1. In calculating household income and resources for individuals who are seeking eligibility on the basis of being age 65 or older or having blindness or disability, SSI methodologies are used. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.

3. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income.

No No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

General income disregard:

Name of disregard:	Description:
	Countable income, as determined in accordance with Section 1902 (m) of the Act, does not exceed an income standard equal to 100 percent of federal poverty level for 1 or 2 persons.
Standard Income Disregard	As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2) an income disregard of \$230 for an individual or in a case of a couple a \$310 income disregard. If such disregards are not sufficient to result in an effective income level equal to the SSI/SSP payment level for a disabled individual or, in the case of a couple, the SSI/SSP payment level for a disabled couple, then an income disregard sufficient to achieve that result.

Çensus Bureau wages are disregarded.

A specified type of income is disregarded:

Description of disregard: As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), all wages paid to an individual by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to current or future census activities shall be exempt.

Name of income type:

Kinship Guardianship Benefit
Payments

As referenced in Supplement
8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 9:
As permitted under Section

Name of income type:	Description:
	1902(r)(2), in determining eligibility for the following coverage groups, State funded benefit payments under the State's Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (also known as Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program -Enhanced) shall be exempt. These coverage groups are:  1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1902(a)(10)(C) (i)(III), and 1905(p).
In-home caregiver wages	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 8:  In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met: 1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program. Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt. These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

The following less restrictive methodologies are used:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Deductions for ineligible family members	Disregard and amount equal to the appropriate figure below, based on household size. This disregard description clarifies the existing policy listed on pages 6, 6a, and 7 of Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A of the state plan.  Household of 1: \$600 Household of 2: \$750 Household of 3: \$934 Household of 4: \$1,100 Household of 5: \$1,259 Household of 6: \$1,417 Household of 7: \$1,550

	Name of methodology:	Description: Household of 8: \$1,692 Household of 9: \$1,825 Household of 10: \$1,959  *A household of two adults where at least one person is aged, blind, or disabled utilizes the deduction for a household size of 3, as permitted by 42 CFR § 435.1007(c).
4. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resource	es.	
No The less restrictive resource methodologies are:  The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to resources.  Specified methodology for the tree.	set aside for burial. eatment of resources set aside for b	ourial:
	Name of methodology:	Description:
	Burial Funds	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a, Page 2:  All of the following shall be disregarded in determining eligibility in their entirety and shall not be applied against a single \$1500 limit:  (1) All of the following burial related funds:  (a) The first \$1500 paid for clearly designated burial funds such as burial insurance policies with cash surrender values, revocable burial trusts, revocable burial contracts, or other revocable burial contracts, or other irrevocable burial arrangements.  (b) Irrevocable burial trusts or irrevocable burial contracts, or other irrevocable burial arrangements.  (c) Burial insurance policies without cash surrender values.  (2) Life insurance policies on the life of any individual in the family shall be exempt if the combined face value of all of the policies on the insured individual is \$1500 or less.  (3) All dividends and interest that accrue to and are not removed from the burial fund or policy described in (1) or (2).  The disregard of life insurance policies and burial related

	Name of methodology:	Description:  funds is allowed for all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  (a)(10)(A)(ii), (a)(10)(C)(i)(III), and 1905(p)
The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to the trea	tment of motor vehicles	
motor vehicle is disregarded		
	Specified conditions:	
		n: As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a Page 11: One motor vehicle per budget unit shall be exempt regardless of value or use. The above
		paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
A specified type of resource is disregarded:		
A specified type of resource is disregarded.		
	Name of resource type:	Description:
	Restitution payments made to Holocaust victims	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 12 and 13:  Excludable restitution payments made to a holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries shall be considered an exempt resource for the purpose of determining eligibility to receive Medi-Cal benefits or the amounts of those benefits.  A "holocaust victim" is a person who was persecuted by Nazi Germany, any other Axis regime, or any other Nazi controlled or Nazi-allied

orientation;

#### Description:

(2) during any period before, during or after.

An "excludable restitution payment" is any payment or distribution, recovered or returned asset or property, received directly by a holocaust victim or heirs or beneficiaries of a holocaust victim: (1) as compensation pursuant to the German Act Regulating Unresolved Property Claims, as amended (Gesetz zur Regelung offener Vermogensfragen); (2) as a result of a settlement of claims against any entity or individual for any recovered asset. A "recovered asset" is any asset of any type, including any bank deposits, insurance proceeds, artwork, or interest earned on any of these assets, owned by a holocaust victim, withheld from that holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries and recovered, returned or otherwise compensated to the holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries; (3) as a payment or restitution provided by law, or by a fund, established by any foreign country, the United States of America, or any other foreign or domestic entity, or as a result of a final resolution of a legal action; (4) as a direct or indirect return of, or compensation or reparation for, assets stolen or hidden from, or otherwise lost to, the individual before, during or immediately after World War II, including any insurance proceeds under policies issued on the individual by European insurance companies immediately before and during World War II; or (5) as interest, payable as part of any payment or distribution described in the paragraph.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Independence Accounts

Independence Accounts established under the Work Incentives program shall be disregarded in the resource eligibility determination, subject to the limitation

Name of resource type:	Description:
	identified below:
	<ul> <li>Actions involving the accounts are subject to standard eligibility rules relating to resources (e.g., a transfer from the account for less than fair market value would be subject to transfer-of- asset rules).</li> </ul>
	Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6A, Page 13
	In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met:
In-home caregiver resource disregard	1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.
	Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt.
	These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 1:
	A resource disregard is given to an individual who has purchased a precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract which covers long-term care and has used such policy or plan to pay for services.
	Services which the individual receives and are paid for by the precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract, which covers long-term care, must not be delivered by a member of the individual's family, unless:  • The family member is a

#### Description:

regular employee of an organization which is providing the services; and

- The organization receives the payment for the services: and
- The family member receives no compensation other than the normal compensation for employees in his or her job category.

The amount of the disregard is equal to the lesser of the following amounts:

• the amount of payments

- the amount of payments made for services by the insurance policy; or
- the actual charge for the services.

Such disregard is in effect for the lifetime of the individual. The disregard is also allowed if a Medicaid application is filed on behalf of a deceased individual for payment of costs for care and services received by the individual during his or her lifetime.

The disregard of resources is allowed for aged. blind and disabled individuals who are otherwise eligible and:
A. Medically Needy [1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III)], or
B. Optional Categorically Needy [1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)]. except those who are included in Section 1902 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)(XI) and 1902(a)(10) (A) (ii)(IV) who are receiving Supplemental Security Income Payments under Title XVI or a State Supplemental Payment. or

C. Who are Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries [1905(p)].

Resources exempted under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII)

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 14: All resources exempted from consideration as resources for individuals in the optional coverage group under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act on the basis that they are employer or individual retirement arrangements authorized under the Internal Revenue Code shall continue to be exempt from consideration as resources in all other coverage groups subject to the provisions of 1902(r)(2) under which the individual later becomes eligible for medical assistance where the basis for that eligibility is the individual's age, blindness, or disability.

Name of resource type:	Description:
	These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • 1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)(X) • 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)
	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 5:
	Pursuant to court order in Principe v. Belshe (Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 96CSOO115), a resource disregard would be allowed equal to the amount of incurred medical bills that are unpaid in the month where there are excess resources for the entire month,
	<ul> <li>only when payment of those medical bills occurs in a later month, and</li> <li>verification of payment is provided.</li> </ul>
Unpaid incurred medical bills	This disregard would be allowed no earlier than the month of application (may not be one of the three months prior to the month of application).
	The requirements listed above would have to be met before eligibility is granted for the month throughout which the excess resources existed.
	This disregard would apply only to individuals who have excess resources for the entire month but who are otherwise eligible in that month under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Japanese Reparation Payments	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 6:
	Japanese Reparation payments made by the Canadian government shall be exempt from consideration in determining eligibility for Medical.

#### Description:

Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments shall be exempt if received by the spouse or inherited from the spouse who was the original recipient, or both

Where Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments, are converted to another form, amounts of otherwise excess, nonexempt resources sufficient to ensure that the amount of the exemption equals the amount of the reparation payments received by the individual or inherited by the spouse of the individual, or both, shall not be considered as resources in determining eligibility for Medical

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • (a)(10)(A)(ii) (VI) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) • (a)(10)(A) (ii)(XIII) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

## SSI and AFDC differing methodologies

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 9.

In considering all of the various items of resources where the SSI program and the AFDC program have differing methodologies, the State shall follow the methodology of the least restrictive of either the SSI program or the AFDC program.

• The general rules contained in the paragraph above shall apply to determine the resource methodologies employed in consideration of all resource items unless a more specific methodology for a specific resource item is otherwise set forth and included in the State plan.

The above paragraphs apply to the resources of all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social

Name of resource type:	Description:
	Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 9:
	The principal residence shall not be considered as a resource if any of the following circumstances exist (this is in addition to the reasons specified by the SSI program and the AFDC program):
Principal residence disregard	<ul> <li>if a child under the age of 21 lives on the property, or</li> <li>if a dependent relative lives on the property, (for this purpose only, a disabled child age 21 or over shall be considered a dependent relative),</li> <li>if a sibling or child age 21 or over of the applicant or beneficiary has continuously resided on the property for at least one year immediately prior to the date the applicant or beneficiary entered a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility and continues to reside there, or</li> <li>if the property cannot be readily converted to cash but a bona fide effort is being made to sell the property. A bona fide effort to sell means that the property is listed for sale with a licensed real estate broker for its fair market value established by a qualified real estate appraiser, a good faith effort is being made to sell the property, offers at fair market value are accepted, and the applicant or beneficiary has supplied proof of compliance with these conditions to the county.</li> </ul>
	The above paragraphs apply to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Bona fide, good faith effort to sell or liquidate resource	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 10:

#### Description:

The value of resources shall be disregarded when there is a bona fide, good faith effort being made to sell or liquidate the resource. The value of the resource shall be disregarded for as long as the bona fide good faith effort to sell or liquidate continues to be made. This methodology is essentially the same as the methodology applied to resources being sold or liquidated in the eligibility determinations of the SSI and AFDC program, however, since there is no conditional eligibility in the Medicaid program, the applicant/beneficiary shall not be required to sign, as a condition of eligibility, a statement agreeing to make repayment upon the sale of the property.

The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

### Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance

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### **D. Income Standard Used**

The income standard used is the standard of the most closely related cash assistance program.

### **E. Resource Standard Used**

The resource standard used is the standard of the most closely related cash assistance program.

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## Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

Eligibility Groups - Options for Coverage

### Age and Disability-Related Poverty Level

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Individuals who are age 65 or older or who have a disability, with income no higher than 100% FPL.

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The state covers the optional Age and Disability-Related Poverty Level eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

### **A. Characteristics**

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

1. Meet at least one of the following condition(s):

a. Are age 65 or older; or

b. Have a disability.

2. Have income and resources at or below the standard for this group.

### Age and Disability-Related Poverty Level

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### **B.** Individuals Covered

1. The state covers all individuals who meet the characteristics described in section A.



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### **C. Financial Methodologies**

1. SSI methodologies are used in calculating household income and resources. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.

2. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income.

No

a. The state uses the same less restrictive income methodologies for all individuals covered.

o'es No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

General income disregard:

Name of disregard:	Description:
Standard Income Disregard	Countable income, as determined in accordance with Section 1902 (m) of the Act, does not exceed an income standard equal to 100 percent of federal poverty level for 1 or 2 persons.
	As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2) an income disregard of \$230 for an individual or in a case of a couple a \$310 income disregard. If such disregards are not sufficient to result in an effective income level equal to the SSI/SSP payment level for a disabled individual or, in the case of a

Name of disregard:

Description:

couple, the SSI/SSP payment level for a disabled couple, then an income disregard sufficient to achieve that result.

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Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

**Description of disregard:** As

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A specified type of income is disregarded:		sh all be ex em pt.
	Name of income type:	Description:
	Kinship Guardianship Benefit Payments	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 9:  As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), in determining eligibility for the following coverage groups, State funded benefit payments under the State's Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (also known as Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program -Enhanced) shall be exempt. These coverage groups are:  1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1902(a)(10)(C)(i) (III), and 1905(p).
	In-home caregiver wages	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 8:  In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met: 1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the inhome care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the

Name of income type:	Description:
	home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program. Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt. These exemptions shall
	exemptions shall apply to the
	following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security
	Act at Section 1902(r)(2):
	• 1902(a)(10)(A) (ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

he following less restrictive methodologies are used:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Deductions for ineligible family members	Disregard and amount equal to the appropriate figure below, based on household size. This disregard description clarifies the existing policy listed on pages 6, 6a, and 7 of Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A of the state plan.
	Household of 1: \$600 Household of 2: \$750 Household of 2 adults*: \$934 Household of 3:

Name of methodology:	Description:
	\$934 Household of 4: \$1,100 Household of 5: \$1,259 Household of 6: \$1,417 Household of 7: \$1,550 Household of 8: \$1,692 Household of 9: \$1,825 Household of 10: \$1,959
	*A household of two adults where at least one person is aged, blind, or disabled utilizes the deduction for a household size of 3, as permitted by 42 CFR § 435.1007 (c).

3. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.



a. The state uses the same less restrictive resource methodologies for all individuals covered.



The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to resources set aside for burial.

Specified methodology for the treatment of resources set aside for burial:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Burial Funds	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a, Page 2: All of the following shall be disregarded in determining eligibility in their entirety and shall not be applied against a single \$1500 limit:

# Name of methodology:

#### Description:

- (1) All of the following burial related funds:
- (a) The first \$1500 paid for clearly designated burial funds such as burial insurance policies with cash surrender values, revocable burial trusts. revocable burial contracts, or other revocable burial arrangements.
- (b) Irrevocable burial trusts or irrevocable burial contracts, or other irrevocable burial arrangements.
- (c) Burial insurance policies without cash surrender values.
- (2) Life insurance policies on the life of any individual in the family shall be exempt if the combined face value of all of the policies on the insured individual is \$1500 or less.
- (3) All dividends and interest that accrue to and are not removed from the burial fund or policy described in (1) or (2).

The disregard of life insurance policies and burial related funds is allowed for all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State

	Name of methodology:	Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):  (a)(10)(A)(ii), (a) (10)(C)(i)(III), and 1905(p)
The state uses a less restrictive methodolog	v with respect to the	treatment of motor
vehicles.		
A mot condi	or vehicle is disregar tions.	ded under specific
	Specified condition	ns:
L		Description: As
		ref ere nc ed in SU PP LE ME NT 8b TO AT TA CH ME NT 2.6 -a Pa ge 11:
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A specified type of resource is disregarded:

Name of resource type:	Description:
Bona fide, good faith effort to sell or liquidate resource	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 10:  The value of resources shall be disregarded when there is a bona fide, good faith effort being made to sell or liquidate the resource. The value of the resource shall be disregarded for as long as the bona fide good faith effort to sell or liquidate continues to be made. This methodology is essentially the

#### Name of Description: resource type: same as the methodology applied to resources being sold or liquidated in the eligibility determinations of the SSI and AFDC program, however, since there is no conditional eligibility in the Medicaid program, the applicant/benefi ciary shall not be required to sign, as a condition of eligibility, a statement agreeing to make repayment upon the sale of the property. The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2): • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p) Restitution As referenced in payments made SUPPLEMENT 8b

to Holocaust victims

TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 12 and 13:

Excludable restitution payments made to a holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries shall be considered an exempt resource for the purpose of determining

#### Description:

eligibility to receive Medi-Cal benefits or the amounts of those benefits.

A "holocaust victim" is a person who was persecuted by Nazi Germany, any other Axis regime, or any other Nazi controlled or Nazi-allied country:

(1) on the basis of race, religion, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation; (2) during any period before, during or after.

An "excludable restitution payment" is any payment or distribution, recovered or returned asset or property, received directly by a holocaust victim or heirs or beneficiaries of a holocaust victim: (1) as compensation pursuant to the German Act Regulating Unresolved Property Claims, as amended (Gesetz zur Regelung offener Vermogensfrage n); (2) as a result of a settlement of claims against any entity or individual for any recovered asset. A "recovered asset" is any asset of any type, including any bank deposits, insurance proceeds, artwork, or

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interest earned on any of these assets, owned by a holocaust victim, withheld from that holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries and recovered, returned or otherwise compensated to the holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries; (3) as a payment or restitution provided by law, or by a fund, established by any foreign country, the United States of America, or any other foreign or domestic entity, or as a result of a final resolution of a legal action; (4) as a direct or indirect return of, or compensation or reparation for, assets stolen or hidden from, or otherwise lost to, the individual before, during or immediately after World War II, including any insurance proceeds under policies issued on the individual by European insurance companies immediately before and during World War II; or (5) as interest, payable as part of any payment or distribution described in the paragraph.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the

Name of resource type:	Description:
	Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
	Independence Accounts established under the Work Incentives program shall be disregarded in the resource eligibility determination, subject to the limitation identified below:
Independence Accounts	Actions involving the accounts are subject to standard eligibility rules relating to resources (e.g., a transfer from the account for less than fair market value would be subject to transfer-of-asset rules).
In-home caregiver resource disregard	Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6A, Page 13  In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met:  1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the inhome care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local

#### Description:

program.

Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing inhome care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):

• 1902(a)(10)(A) (ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Precertified longterm care insurance policy or health care service plan contract As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 1:

A resource disregard is given to an individual who has purchased a precertified longterm care insurance policy or health care service plan contract which covers long-term care and has used such policy or plan to pay for services.

Services which the individual receives and are paid for by the precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract, which covers long-term care, must not be delivered by a member of the individual's

#### Description:

family, unless: • The family member is a regular employee of an organization which is providing the services; and • The organization receives the payment for the services: and • The family member receives no compensation other than the normal compensation for employees in his or her job category.

The amount of the disregard is equal to the lesser of the following amounts:
• the amount of payments made for services by the insurance policy; or
• the actual

charge for the services.

Such disregard is in effect for the lifetime of the individual. The disregard is also allowed if a Medicaid application is filed on behalf of a deceased individual for payment of costs for care and services received by the individual during his or her lifetime.

The disregard of resources is allowed for aged. blind and disabled individuals who are otherwise eligible and:
A. Medically Needy [1902(a) (10)(C)(i)(III)], or

Name of resource type:	Description:
	B. Optional Categorically Needy [1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)]. except those who are included in Section 1902 (a) (10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (XI) and 1902(a) (10) (A)(ii)(IV) who are receiving Supplemental Security Income Payments under Title XVI or a State Supplemental Payment. or C. Who are Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries [1905(p)].
Resources exempted under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (XIII)	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 14: All resources exempted from consideration as resources for individuals in the optional coverage group under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (XIII) of the Act on the basis that they are employer or individual retirement arrangements authorized under the Internal Revenue Code shall continue to be exempt from consideration as resources in all other coverage groups subject to the provisions of 1902(r)(2) under which the individual later becomes eligible for medical assistance where the basis for that eligibility is the individual's age, blindness, or disability.

Name of resource type:	Description:
	These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):
	• 1902(a)(10)(A) (ii)(I) • 1902(a)(10) (A)(ii)(X) • 1902(a) (10)(C)(i)
Unpaid incurred medical bills	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 5:
	Pursuant to court order in Principe v. Belshe (Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 96CSOO115), a resource disregard would be allowed equal to the amount of incurred medical bills that are unpaid in the month where there are excess resources for the entire month,  • only when payment of those medical
	those medical bills occurs in a later month, and • verification of payment is provided.
	This disregard would be allowed no earlier than the month of application (may not be one of the three months prior to the month of application).
	The requirements listed above would have to be met before

Name of resource type:	Description:
	eligibility is granted for the month throughout which the excess
	resources existed.
	This disregard would apply only to individuals who have excess resources for the entire month but who are otherwise eligible in that month under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Japanese Reparation Payments	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 6:
	Japanese Reparation payments made by the Canadian government shall be exempt from consideration in determining eligibility for Medi-Cal.
	Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments shall be exempt
	if received by the spouse or inherited from the spouse who was the original recipient, or both.

#### Description:

Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments, are converted to another form, amounts of otherwise excess, nonexempt resources sufficient to ensure that the amount of the exemption equals the amount of the reparation payments received by the individual or inherited by the spouse of the individual, or both, shall not be considered as resources in determining eligibility for Medi-Cal.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(VI) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) • (a)(10)(A)(ii) (XIII) • (a)(10)(A) (ii)(XVIII) • (a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

# SSI and AFDC differing methodologies

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 8:

In considering all of the various items of resources where the SSI program and the AFDC program have differing methodologies, the State shall follow the

Name of resource type:	Description:
resource type:	methodology of
	the least
	restrictive of
	either the SSI
	program or the
	AFDC program.
	• The general
	rules contained
	in the paragraph above shall
	apply to
	determine the
	resource
	methodologies
	employed in
	consideration of
	all resource items unless a
	more specific
	methodology for
	a specific
	resource item is
	otherwise set
	forth and
	included in the State plan.
	State plan.
	The above
	paragraphs
	apply to the
	resources of all
	applicants and recipients who
	are otherwise
	eligible under
	California's State
	Plan and who
	are also a member of one
	of the following
	coverage groups
	referenced in the
	Social Security
	Act at Section
	1902(r)(2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)
	(10)(C)(i)(III) •
	1905(p)
Principal	As referenced in
residence	SUPPLEMENT 8b
disregard	TO ATTACHMENT
	2.6-A Page 9:
	The principal
	The principal residence shall
	not be
	considered as a
	resource if any
	of the following
	of the following circumstances
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	of the following circumstances exist (this is in addition to the
	of the following circumstances exist (this is in

Name of
resource type

#### Description:

the AFDC

program): • if a child under the age of 21 lives on the property, or • if a dependent relative lives on the property, (for this purpose only, a disabled child age 21 or over shall be considered a dependent relative), • if a sibling or child age 21 or over of the applicant or beneficiary has continuously resided on the property for at least one year immediately prior to the date the applicant or beneficiary entered a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility and continues to reside there, or • if the property cannot be readily converted to cash but a bona fide effort is being made to sell the property. A bona fide effort to sell means that the property is listed for sale with a licensed real estate broker for its fair market value established by a qualified real estate appraiser, a good faith effort is being made to sell the property, offers at fair market value are accepted, and the applicant or beneficiary has supplied proof of

compliance with these conditions to the county.

Name of resource type:	Description:
	The above paragraphs apply to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

# Age and Disability- Related Poverty Level

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# **D. Income Standard Used**

The income standard for this eligibility group is:

2. A lower percent of the FPL:

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# **E. Resource Standard Used**

The resource standard used is:

. The resource limit for the SSI program; or

2. The resource limit used in the state's medically needy program, if higher.

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# F. Additional Information (optional)

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# Eligibility Groups - Options for Coverage

#### **Work Incentives**

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Individuals with a disability with income below 250% of the FPL, who would qualify for SSI except for earned income.

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The state covers the optional Work Incentives eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

#### **A. Characteristics**

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Have earned income.
- 2. Meet the SSI definition of disability, but for earned income.
- 3. Meet income and resource standards following a two-step process, which includes:
  - a. Step One A comparison of family net income to 250% FPL; and
  - b. Step Two A comparison of individual net income and resources to the SSI standards, excluding earned income.

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# **B. Step One Financial Methodologies and Income Test**

1. Financial methodologies

a. SSI methodologies are used in calculating family income. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.

b. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income. \\

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The less restrictive income methodologies are:

Çensus Bureau wages are disregarded.

**Description of disregard:** As permitted under Section

As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), all wages paid to an individual by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to current or future census activities shall

be exempt.

A specified type of income is disregarded:

Name of income type:	Description:
In-home Caregiver Wages	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 8:  In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met: 1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.  Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant
	meals, shall be exempt. These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Name of income type:	Description:
Kinship Guardianship Benefit Payments	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 9:
	As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), in determining eligibility for the following coverage groups, State funded benefit payments under the State's Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (also known as Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program -Enhanced) shall be exempt. These coverage groups are:  1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1902(a)(10)(C) (i)(III), and 1905(p).
	As referenced in Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6 A, Page 5:
	For the working disabled covered under the provisions of Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act
Disability-based income disregard	(1) As permitted under Section 1902 (r)(2); all disability income of the disabled individual is exempted (e.g. federal and state disability income and private disability income such as an indemnity payment from an insurance company based on the individual's disability).
	(2) As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), social security disability income that converts to retirement income upon the retirement of the individual, including any increases in the amount of that income, shall be exempt.
	As referenced in Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A Page 5a:
2009 SSI/SSP Payment Levels	Beginning on July 1, 2009, an amount of otherwise countable income equal to the difference between the applicable SSI/SSP payment level and the applicable SSI/SSP payment level in effect on June 30, 2009 shall be exempt until and unless the SSI/SSP payment levels increase to a point that is above the levels in effect on June 30, 2009. This exemption shall be applied to the following coverage groups: • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII)

2. Income Test

Family net income must be less than 250% FPL. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies for the definition of family size.

#### **Work Incentives**

MEDICAID | Medicaid State Plan | Eligibility | CA2019MS00100 | CA-20-0022

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# C. Step Two Financial Methodologies and Income/Resource Test

1. Financial methodologies

a. SSI methodologies are used in calculating income and resources, except that earned income is not counted. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.

b. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income.

No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

**Description of disregard:** As permitted under Section

1902(r)(2), all wages paid to an individual by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to current or future census activities shall

be exempt.

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A specified type of income is disregarded:

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2000 551/550 0	As referenced in Supplement as to Attachment 2.6 A, Page 5: For the working disabled covered under the provisions of Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act  1) As permitted under Section 1902 (r)(2); all disability income of the disabled individual is exempted (e.g. federal and state disability income and private disability income such as an indemnity payment from an insurance company based on the individual's disability).  2) As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), social security disability income that converts or retirement income upon the retirement of the individual, including any increases in the amount of that income, shall be exempt.
8a t 5a:	As referenced in Supplement Ba to Attachment 2.6-A Page Basis

Name of income type:	Description:  amount of otherwise countable income equal to the difference between the applicable SSI/SSP payment level and the applicable SSI/SSP payment level in effect on June 30, 2009 shall be exempt until and unless the SSI/SSP payment levels increase to a point that is above the levels in effect on June 30, 2009. This exemption shall be applied to the following coverage groups: • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII)
In-home Caregiver Wages	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 8:  In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met: 1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.  Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt. These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
Kinship Guardianship Benefit Payments	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 9:  As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), in determining eligibility for the following coverage groups, State funded benefit payments under the State's Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (also known as Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program -Enhanced) shall be exempt. These coverage groups are:  1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1902(a)(10)(C) (i)(III), and 1905(p).

c. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.



Specified methodology for the	ne treatment of resources set aside fo	or burial:
	Name of methodology:	Description:
		As referenced in SUPPLEMEN' 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a, Page 2:
		All of the following shall be disregarded in determining eligibility in their entirety and shall not be applied against a single \$1500 limit:
		(1) All of the following burial related funds:
		(a) The first \$1500 paid for clearly designated burial fund such as burial insurance policies with cash surrender values, revocable burial trust revocable burial contracts, or other revocable burial arrangements.
		(b) Irrevocable burial trusts o irrevocable burial contracts, o other irrevocable burial arrangements.
	Burial Funds	(c) Burial insurance policies without cash surrender value
		(2) Life insurance policies on the life of any individual in the family shall be exempt if the combined face value of all of the policies on the insured individual is \$1500 or less.
		(3) All dividends and interest that accrue to and are not removed from the burial func or policy described in (1) or (2
		The disregard of life insurance policies and burial related funds is allowed for all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and wh are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
		(a)(10)(A)(ii), (a)(10)(C)(i)(III), and 1905(p)

specified type of resource is disregarded:

Specified conditions: **Description:** As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a Page One motor vehicle per budget unit shall be exempt regardless of value or use. The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Name of resource type:	Description:
In-home caregiver resource disregard	Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6A, Page 13
	In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met:
	1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.
	Payments made by the California Department of Socia Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt.
	These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Bona fide, good faith effort to sell or liquidate resource	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 10:
	The value of resources shall be disregarded when there is a bona fide, good faith effort being made to sell or liquidate the resource. The value of the

#### Description:

resource shall be disregarded for as long as the bona fide good faith effort to sell or liquidate continues to be made. This methodology is essentially the same as the methodology applied to resources being sold or liquidated in the eligibility determinations of the SSI and AFDC program, however, since there is no conditional eligibility in the Medicaid program, the applicant/beneficiary shall not be required to sign, as a condition of eligibility, a statement agreeing to make repayment upon the sale of the property.

The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

# Restitution payments made to Holocaust victims

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 12 and 13:

Excludable restitution
payments made to a holocaust
victim or his or her heirs or
beneficiaries shall be
considered an exempt
resource for the purpose of
determining eligibility to
receive Medi-Cal benefits or
the amounts of those benefits.

A "holocaust victim" is a person who was persecuted by Nazi Germany, any other Axis regime, or any other Nazi controlled or Nazi-allied country:

(1) on the basis of race, religion, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation;(2) during any period before, during or after.

An "excludable restitution payment" is any payment or distribution, recovered or returned asset or property, received directly by a holocaust victim or heirs or beneficiaries of a holocaust victim:

(1) as compensation pursuant

#### Description:

to the German Act Regulating Unresolved Property Claims, as amended (Gesetz zur Regelung offener Vermogensfragen); (2) as a result of a settlement of claims against any entity or individual for any recovered asset. A "recovered asset" is any asset of any type, including any bank deposits, insurance proceeds, artwork, or interest earned on any of these assets, owned by a holocaust victim, withheld from that holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries and recovered, returned or otherwise compensated to the holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries; (3) as a payment or restitution provided by law, or by a fund, established by any foreign country, the United States of America, or any other foreign or domestic entity, or as a result of a final resolution of a legal action: (4) as a direct or indirect return of, or compensation or reparation for, assets stolen or hidden from, or otherwise lost to, the individual before, during or immediately after World War II, including any insurance proceeds under policies issued on the individual by European insurance companies immediately before and during World War II; or (5) as interest, payable as part of any payment or distribution described in the paragraph.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 1.

A resource disregard is given to an individual who has purchased a precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract which covers long-term care and has used such policy or plan to pay for services.

Services which the individual receives and are paid for by the precertified long-term care

#### Description:

insurance policy or health care service plan contract, which covers long-term care, must not be delivered by a member of the individual's family, unless:

- The family member is a regular employee of an organization which is providing the services; and
- The organization receives the payment for the services: and
- The family member receives no compensation other than the normal compensation for employees in his or her job category.

The amount of the disregard is equal to the lesser of the following amounts:

- the amount of payments made for services by the insurance policy; or
- the actual charge for the services.

Such disregard is in effect for the lifetime of the individual. The disregard is also allowed if a Medicaid application is filed on behalf of a deceased individual for payment of costs for care and services received by the individual during his or her lifetime.

The disregard of resources is allowed for aged. blind and disabled individuals who are otherwise eligible and: A. Medically Needy [1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III)], or B. Optional Categorically Needy [1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)]. except those who are included in Section 1902 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)(XI) and 1902(a)(10) (A) (ii)(IV) who are receiving Supplemental Security Income Payments under Title XVI or a State Supplemental Payment. C. Who are Qualified Medicare

#### Independence Accounts

Exclude the value of all retirement accounts while the account owner is receiving coverage under section 1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act.

Beneficiaries [1905(p)].

For individuals enrolled in the eligibility category described at section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act, the following resource methodology applies:

• A resource disregard will apply to an account

Name of section to	Description
Name of resource type:	Description: established by the beneficiary
	after and during the individual's enrollment in the category. The individual shall designate the account to the state Medicaid agency as his or her Independence Account.
	These accounts will be held separately from non- exempt resources in accounts for which prior approval has been obtained from the Department.
	There is no minimum or maximum limit to establish the account.
	There is no minimum or maximum limit that can be deposited to the existing account
	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 1:
Separately identified account	All retained earned income of a disabled individual that is held in a separately identified account and that is not commingled with any other resources shall be exempt from consideration as resources as permitted by Section 1902(r)(2).
Unpaid incurred medical bills	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 5:
	Pursuant to court order in Principe v. Belshe (Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 96CSOO115), a resource disregard would be allowed equal to the amount of incurred medical bills that are unpaid in the month where there are excess resources for the entire month,
	<ul> <li>only when payment of those medical bills occurs in a later month, and</li> <li>verification of payment is provided.</li> </ul>
	This disregard would be allowed no earlier than the month of application (may not be one of the three months prior to the month of application).
	The requirements listed above would have to be met before eligibility is granted for the month throughout which the

Name of resource type:	Description:
	excess resources existed.
	This disregard would apply only to individuals who have excess resources for the entire month but who are otherwise eligible in that month under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) •
	1905(p)  As referenced in SUPPLEMENT
	8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 6:
Japanese Reparation Payments	Japanese Reparation payments made by the Canadian government shall be exempt from consideration in determining eligibility for Medi-Cal.
	Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments shall be exempt if received by the spouse or inherited from the spouse who was the original recipient, or both.
	Where Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments, are converted to another form, amounts of otherwise excess, nonexempt resources sufficient to ensure that the amount of the exemption equals the amount of the reparation payments received by the individual or inherited by the spouse of the individual, or both, shall not be considered as resources in determining eligibility for Medical.
	These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • (a)(10)(A)(ii) (VI) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) • (a)(10)(A) (ii)(XIII) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Principal residence disregard	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 9:
	The principal residence shall

#### Description:

not be considered as a resource if any of the following circumstances exist (this is in addition to the reasons specified by the SSI program and the AFDC program):

- if a child under the age of 21 lives on the property, or
   if a dependent relative lives on the property, (for this purpose only, a disabled child age 21 or over shall be considered a dependent relative),
- if a sibling or child age 21 or over of the applicant or beneficiary has continuously resided on the property for at least one year immediately prior to the date the applicant or beneficiary entered a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility and continues to reside there, or
- if the property cannot be readily converted to cash but a bona fide effort is being made to sell the property. A bona fide effort to sell means that the property is listed for sale with a licensed real estate broker for its fair market value established by a qualified real estate appraiser, a good faith effort is being made to sell the property, offers at fair market value are accepted, and the applicant or beneficiary has supplied proof of compliance with these conditions to the county.

The above paragraphs apply to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

SSI and AFDC differing methodologies

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page

In considering all of the various items of resources where the SSI program and the AFDC program have differing methodologies, the State shall follow the methodology of the least restrictive of either the SSI program or the AFDC program.

#### Description:

• The general rules contained in the paragraph above shall apply to determine the resource methodologies employed in consideration of all resource items unless a more specific methodology for a specific resource item is otherwise set forth and included in the State plan.

The above paragraphs apply to the resources of all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

2. Income Test

For individuals who pass Step One, in Step Two, the individual's unearned income (plus deemed income, if appropriate) must be less than one of the following income standards:

a. The SSI income standard.

. The income standard of the state supplement program.

3. Resource Test

The individual's resources must be less than the SSI resource standard.

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# **D. Premiums and Cost Sharing**

Requirements for premiums and cost sharing for this group are found in the premium and cost sharing sections of the state plan.

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# **E.** Additional Information (optional)

Requirements for premiums and cost sharing for this group are found in the premium and cost sharing sections as well as page 12d of Attachment 2.6-A of the state plan.

# **Medicaid State Plan Eligibility**

Eligibility Groups - Medically Needy

# **Medically Needy Pregnant Women**

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Woman who are pregnant or post-partum who would qualify under the state's Pregnant Women eligibility group, except for income.

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The state covers the Medically Needy Pregnant Women eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

#### **A. Characteristics**

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Are pregnant or post-partum, as defined in 42 CFR 435.4.
- 2. Would qualify under the Pregnant Women eligibility group, except for income.
- 3. Are not otherwise eligible for categorically needy coverage under the state plan.
- 4. Have income at or below the medically needy income level and resources at or below the medically needy resource level.

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# **B. Financial Methodologies**

- 1. The financial methodology used is:
- . AFDC methodologies. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.
- b. MAGI-like methodologies. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.
- 2. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income.

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No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

**Description of disregard:** As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), all wages paid to an individual by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to current or future census activities shall

be exempt.

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A specified type of income is disregarded:

Name of income type:	Description:
In-home caregiver wages	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 8:  In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met: 1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.  Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt. These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

Name of income type:	Description: • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Kinship Guardianship Benefit Payments	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 9:  As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), in determining eligibility for the following coverage groups, State funded benefit payments under the State's Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (also known as Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program -Enhanced) shall be exempt. These coverage groups are:  1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1902(a)(10)(C) (i)(III), and 1905(p).

The following less restrictive methodologies are used:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Deductions for ineligible family members	Disregard and amount equal to the appropriate figure below, based on household size. This disregard description clarifies the existing policy listed on pages 6, 6a, and 7 of Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A of the state plan.  Household of 1: \$600 Household of 2: \$750 Household of 2 adults*: \$934 Household of 3: \$934 Household of 5: \$1,259 Household of 6: \$1,417 Household of 6: \$1,417 Household of 7: \$1,550 Household of 9: \$1,825 Household of 10: \$1,959  *A household of 10: \$1,959  *A household of two adults where at least one person is aged, blind, or disabled utilizes the deduction for a household size of 3, as permitted by 42 CFR § 435.1007(c).

3. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.		
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No		
The less restrictive resource methodologies are:		
The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to resources set aside for burial.		
Specified methodology for the treatment of resources set aside for burial:		
ı	Name of methodology:	Description:

#### Name of methodology:

**Burial Funds** 

#### Description:

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a, Page 2:

All of the following shall be disregarded in determining eligibility in their entirety and shall not be applied against a single \$1500 limit:

- (1) All of the following burial related funds:
- (a) The first \$1500 paid for clearly designated burial funds such as burial insurance policies with cash surrender values, revocable burial trusts, revocable burial contracts, or other revocable burial arrangements.
- (b) Irrevocable burial trusts or irrevocable burial contracts, or other irrevocable burial arrangements.
- (c) Burial insurance policies without cash surrender values.
- (2) Life insurance policies on the life of any individual in the family shall be exempt if the combined face value of all of the policies on the insured individual is \$1500 or less.
- (3) All dividends and interest that accrue to and are not removed from the burial fund or policy described in (1) or (2).

The disregard of life insurance policies and burial related funds is allowed for all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

(a)(10)(A)(ii), (a)(10)(C)(i)(III), and 1905(p)

The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to the treatment of motor vehicles.	
A motor vehicle is disregarded under specific conditions.	
Specified conditions:	
Description:	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a Page 11:

One motor vehicle per budget unit shall be exempt regardless of value or use. The above

paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

A specified type of resource is disregarded:

Name of resource type:	Description:
Restitution payments made to Holocaust victims	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 12 and 13:  Excludable restitution payments made to a holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries shall be considered an exempt resource for the purpose of determining eligibility to receive Medi-Cal benefits or the amounts of those benefits.  A "holocaust victim" is a person who was persecuted by Nazi Germany, any other Axis regime, or any other Nazi controlled or Nazi-allied country:
	(1) on the basis of race, religion, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation; (2) during any period before, during or after.  An "excludable restitution payment" is any payment or distribution, recovered or returned asset or property, received directly by a holocaust victim or heirs or beneficiaries of a holocaust victim: (1) as compensation pursuant to the German Act Regulating Unresolved Property Claims, as amended (Gesetz zur Regelung offener Vermogensfragen); (2) as a result of a settlement of claims against any entity or individual for any recovered asset. A "recovered asset" is any asset of any type, including any bank deposits, insurance proceeds, artwork, or interest earned on any of these assets, owned by a holocaust victim, withheld from that holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries and recovered, returned or

Name of resource type:	Description:
	otherwise compensated to the holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries; (3) as a payment or restitution provided by law, or by a fund, established by any foreign country, the United States of America, or any other foreign or domestic entity, or as a result of a final resolution of a legal action; (4) as a direct or indirect return of, or compensation or reparation for, assets stolen or hidden from, or otherwise lost to, the individual before, during or immediately after World War II, including any insurance proceeds under policies issued on the individual by European insurance companies immediately before and during World War II; or (5) as interest, payable as part of any payment or distribution described in the paragraph.  These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Independence Accounts	Independence Accounts established under the Work Incentives program shall be disregarded in the resource eligibility determination, subject to the limitation identified below:
independence / tetodino	<ul> <li>Actions involving the accounts are subject to standard eligibility rules relating to resources (e.g., a transfer from the account for less than fair market value would be subject to transfer-of- asset rules).</li> </ul>
In-home caregiver resource disregard	Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6A, Page 13
	In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met:
	1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.

Name of resource type:	Description:
	Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt.
	These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 1:
	A resource disregard is given to an individual who has purchased a precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract which covers long-term care and has used such policy or plan to pay for services.
	Services which the individual receives and are paid for by the precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract, which covers long-term care, must not be delivered by a member of the individual's family, unless:  • The family member is a regular employee of an organization which is providing the services; and  • The organization receives the payment for the services: and  • The family member receives no compensation other than the normal compensation for employees in his or her job category.
	The amount of the disregard is equal to the lesser of the following amounts:  • the amount of payments made for services by the insurance policy; or  • the actual charge for the services.
	Such disregard is in effect for the lifetime of the individual. The disregard is also allowed if a Medicaid application is filed on behalf of a deceased individual for payment of costs for care and services received by the individual during his or

Name of resource type:	Description:
	her lifetime.
	The disregard of resources is allowed for aged. blind and disabled individuals who are otherwise eligible and: A. Medically Needy [1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III)], or B. Optional Categorically Needy [1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)]. except those who are included in Section 1902 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)(XI) and 1902(a)(10) (A) (ii)(IV) who are receiving Supplemental Security Income Payments under Title XVI or a State Supplemental Payment. or C. Who are Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries [1905(p)].
Resources exempted under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII)	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 14: All resources exempted from consideration as resources for individuals in the optional coverage group under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act on the basis that they are employer or individual retirement arrangements authorized under the Internal Revenue Code shall continue to be exempt from consideration as resources in all other coverage groups subject to the provisions of 1902(r)(2) under which the individual later becomes eligible for medical assistance where the basis for that eligibility is the individual's age, blindness, or disability.  These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • 1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)(X) • 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)
Unpaid incurred medical bills	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 5:  Pursuant to court order in Principe v. Belshe (Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 96CSOO115), a resource disregard would be allowed equal to the amount of incurred medical bills that are unpaid in the month where there are excess resources for the entire month,  • only when payment of those medical bills occurs in a later month, and

#### Description:

• verification of payment is provided.

This disregard would be allowed no earlier than the month of application (may not be one of the three months prior to the month of application).

The requirements listed above would have to be met before eligibility is granted for the month throughout which the excess resources existed.

This disregard would apply only to individuals who have excess resources for the entire month but who are otherwise eligible in that month under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

### Japanese Reparation Payments

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 6.

Japanese Reparation payments made by the Canadian government shall be exempt from consideration in determining eligibility for Medi-Cal.

Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments shall be exempt if received by the spouse or inherited from the spouse who was the original recipient, or both.

Where Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments, are converted to another form, amounts of otherwise excess, nonexempt resources sufficient to ensure that the amount of the exemption equals the amount of the reparation payments received by the individual or inherited by the spouse of the individual, or both, shall not be considered as resources in determining eligibility for Medical

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage

Name of resource type:	Description: groups referenced in the Socia Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • (a)(10)(A)(ii) (VI) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) • (a)(10)(A) (ii)(XIII) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
SSI and AFDC differing methodologies	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Pag 8:  In considering all of the various items of resources where the SSI program and the AFDC program have differing methodologies, the State shall follow the methodology of the least restrictive of either the SS program or the AFDC program.  • The general rules contained in the paragraph above shall apply to determine the resource methodologies employed in consideration of all resource items unless a more specific methodology for a specific resource item is otherwise set forth and included in the State plan.  The above paragraphs apply to the resources of all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Principal residence disregard	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Pag 9:  The principal residence shall not be considered as a resource if any of the following circumstances exist (this is in addition to the reasons specified by the SSI program and the AFDC program):  • if a child under the age of 21 lives on the property, or  • if a dependent relative lives on the property, (for this purpose only, a disabled child age 21 or over shall be considered a dependent relative),  • if a sibling or child age 21 or over of the applicant or

#### Description:

beneficiary has continuously resided on the property for at least one year immediately prior to the date the applicant or beneficiary entered a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility and continues to reside there, or

• if the property cannot be readily converted to cash but a bona fide effort is being made to sell the property. A bona fide effort to sell means that the property is listed for sale with a licensed real estate broker for its fair market value established by a qualified real estate appraiser, a good faith effort is being made to sell the property, offers at fair market value are accepted, and the applicant or beneficiary has supplied proof of compliance with these conditions to the county.

The above paragraphs apply to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Bona fide, good faith effort to sell or liquidate resource

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page

The value of resources shall be disregarded when there is a bona fide, good faith effort being made to sell or liquidate the resource. The value of the resource shall be disregarded for as long as the bona fide good faith effort to sell or liquidate continues to be made. This methodology is essentially the same as the methodology applied to resources being sold or liquidated in the eligibility determinations of the SSI and AFDC program, however, since there is no conditional eligibility in the Medicaid program, the applicant/beneficiary shall not be required to sign, as a condition of eligibility, a statement agreeing to make repayment upon the sale of the property.

The above paragraph applies

Name of resource type:	Description:	
	to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)	

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## Medically Needy Pregnant Women

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The income standard used for this group is described in the Medically Needy Income Level RU.

### **D. Resource Standard Used**

C. Income Standard Used

The resource standard used for this group is described in the Medically Needy Resource Level RU.

## E. Spenddown

The state allows individuals to deduct incurred medical and remedial expenses (spend down) to become eligible under this group. Spenddown is defined in the Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown) RU.

## Medically Needy Pregnant Women

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## F. Additional Information (optional)

# Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

Eligibility Groups - Medically Needy

## Medically Needy Children under Age 18

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Children under age 18 who would qualify under the state's categorically needy eligibility groups, except for income.

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The state covers the Medically Needy Children under Age 18 eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

### A. Characteristics

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Are under age 18.
- 2. Would qualify as categorically needy, except for income.
- 3. Are not otherwise eligible for categorically needy coverage under the state plan.
- 4. Have income at or below the medically needy income level and resources at or below the medically needy resource level.

## Medically Needy Children under Age 18

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## **B. Financial Methodologies**

1.	The	financial	methodo	logy	used	is:
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. AFDC methodologies. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.

b. MAGI-like methodologies. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state.

2. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income.

No

The less restrictive income methodologies are:

Census Bureau wages are disregarded.

**Description of disregard:** As permitted under Section

1902(r)(2), all wages paid to an individual by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to current or future census activities shall

be exempt.

A specified type of income is disregarded:

Name of income type:	Description:
In-home caregiver wages	Description:  As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 8:  In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met: 1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to
	his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.
	Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt. These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Name of income type:	Description:
Kinship Guardianship Benefit Payments	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 9:  As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), in determining eligibility for the following coverage groups, State funded benefit payments under the State's Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (also known as Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program -Enhanced) shall be exempt. These coverage groups are:  1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1902(a)(10)(C) (i)(III), and 1905(p).

The following less restrictive methodologies are used:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Deductions for ineligible family members	Disregard and amount equal to the appropriate figure below, based on household size. This disregard description clarifies the existing policy listed on pages 6, 6a, and 7 of Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A of the state plan.  Household of 1: \$600 Household of 2: \$750 Household of 2 adults*: \$934 Household of 3: \$934 Household of 5: \$1,259 Household of 6: \$1,417 Household of 6: \$1,417 Household of 7: \$1,550 Household of 9: \$1,825 Household of 10: \$1,959  *A household of 10: \$1,959  *A household of two adults where at least one person is aged, blind, or disabled utilizes the deduction for a household size of 3, as permitted by 42 CFR § 435.1007(c).

No
The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to resources set aside for burial.

Specified methodology for the treatment of resources set aside for burial:

 ${\it 3. Less \ restrictive \ methodologies \ are \ used \ in \ calculating \ countable \ resources.}$ 

Name of methodology:	Description:
Burial Funds	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a,

	Name of methodology.	Description.
		Page 2:
		All of the following shall be disregarded in determining eligibility in their entirety and shall not be applied against a single \$1500 limit:
		(1) All of the following burial related funds:
		(a) The first \$1500 paid for clearly designated burial funds such as burial insurance policies with cash surrender values, revocable burial trusts, revocable burial contracts, or other revocable burial arrangements.
		(b) Irrevocable burial trusts or irrevocable burial contracts, or other irrevocable burial arrangements.
		(c) Burial insurance policies without cash surrender values.
		(2) Life insurance policies on the life of any individual in the family shall be exempt if the combined face value of all of the policies on the insured individual is \$1500 or less.
		(3) All dividends and interest that accrue to and are not removed from the burial fund or policy described in (1) or (2).
		The disregard of life insurance policies and burial related funds is allowed for all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
		(a)(10)(A)(ii), (a)(10)(C)(i)(III), and 1905(p)
The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to the treatme	ent of motor vehicles.	
motor vehicle is disregarded une		
	Specified conditions:	
	Description	: As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a Page 11:
		One motor vehicle per budget unit shall be exempt regardless of value or use. The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who

are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

specified type of resource is disregarded:

Name of resource type:	Description:
Restitution payments made to Holocaust victims	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 12 and 13:
	Excludable restitution payments made to a holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries shall be considered an exempt resource for the purpose of determining eligibility to receive Medi-Cal benefits or the amounts of those benefits.
	A "holocaust victim" is a person who was persecuted by Nazi Germany, any other Axis regime, or any other Nazi controlled or Nazi-allied country:
	<ul><li>(1) on the basis of race, religion, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation;</li><li>(2) during any period before, during or after.</li></ul>
	An "excludable restitution payment" is any payment or distribution, recovered or returned asset or property, received directly by a holocaust victim or heirs or beneficiaries of a holocaust victim:  (1) as compensation pursuant to the German Act Regulating Unresolved Property Claims, as amended (Gesetz zur Regelung offener Vermogensfragen); (2) as a result of a settlement of claims against any entity or individual for any recovered asset. A "recovered asset" is any asset of any type, including any bank deposits, insurance proceeds, artwork, or interest earned on any of these assets, owned by a holocaust victim, withheld from that holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries and recovered, returned or
	otherwise compensated to the holocaust victim or his or her

Name of resource type:	Description:
Name of resource type:	heirs or beneficiaries; (3) as a payment or restitution provided by law, or by a fund, established by any foreign country, the United States of America, or any other foreign or domestic entity, or as a result of a final resolution of a legal action; (4) as a direct or indirect return of, or compensation or reparation for, assets stolen or hidden from, or otherwise lost to, the individual before, during or immediately after World War II, including any insurance proceeds under policies issued on the individual by European insurance companies immediately before and during World War II; or (5) as interest, payable as part of any payment or distribution described in the paragraph.  These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Independence Accounts	Independence Accounts established under the Work Incentives program shall be disregarded in the resource eligibility determination, subject to the limitation identified below:  • Actions involving the accounts are subject to standard eligibility rules relating to resources (e.g., a transfer from the account for less than fair market value would be subject to transfer-of- asset rules).
In-home caregiver resource disregard	Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6A, Page 13  In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met:  1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.

### Description:

California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 1.

A resource disregard is given to an individual who has purchased a precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract which covers long-term care and has used such policy or plan to pay for services.

Services which the individual receives and are paid for by the precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract, which covers long-term care, must not be delivered by a member of the individual's family, unless:

- The family member is a regular employee of an organization which is providing the services; and
- The organization receives the payment for the services: and
- The family member receives no compensation other than the normal compensation for employees in his or her job category.

The amount of the disregard is equal to the lesser of the following amounts:

- the amount of payments made for services by the insurance policy; or
- the actual charge for the services.

Such disregard is in effect for the lifetime of the individual. The disregard is also allowed if a Medicaid application is filed on behalf of a deceased individual for payment of costs for care and services received by the individual during his or her lifetime.

Name of resource type:	Description:
	The disregard of resources is allowed for aged. blind and disabled individuals who are otherwise eligible and: A. Medically Needy [1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III)], or B. Optional Categorically Needy [1902(a)(10)(A)(iii)]. except those who are included in Section 1902 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)(VI) and 1902(a)(10) (A) (ii)(IV) who are receiving Supplemental Security Income Payments under Title XVI or a State Supplemental Payment. or C. Who are Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries [1905(p)].
Resources exempted under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII)	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 14: All resources exempted from consideration as resources for individuals in the optional coverage group under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act on the basis that they are employer or individual retirement arrangements authorized under the Internal Revenue Code shall continue to be exempt from consideration as resources in all other coverage groups subject to the provisions of 1902(r)(2) under which the individual later becomes eligible for medical assistance where the basis for that eligibility is the individual's age, blindness, or disability.  These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • 1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)(X) • 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)
Unpaid incurred medical bills	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 5:  Pursuant to court order in Principe v. Belshe (Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 96CSOO115), a resource disregard would be allowed equal to the amount of incurred medical bills that are unpaid in the month where there are excess resources for the entire month,
	<ul> <li>only when payment of those medical bills occurs in a later month, and</li> <li>verification of payment is provided.</li> </ul>

## Name of resource type: Description: This disregard would be allowed no earlier than the month of application (may not be one of the three months prior to the month of application). The requirements listed above would have to be met before eligibility is granted for the month throughout which the excess resources existed. This disregard would apply only to individuals who have excess resources for the entire month but who are otherwise eligible in that month under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p) Japanese Reparation Payments As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page Japanese Reparation payments made by the Canadian government shall be exempt from consideration in determining eligibility for Medi-Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments shall be exempt if received by the spouse or inherited from the spouse who was the original recipient, or both. Where Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments, are converted to another form, amounts of otherwise excess, nonexempt resources sufficient to ensure

that the amount of the exemption equals the amount of the reparation payments received by the individual or inherited by the spouse of the individual, or both, shall not be considered as resources in determining eligibility for Medi-

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)

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Name of resource type:	Description: (2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • (a)(10)(A)(ii) (VI) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) • (a)(10)(A) (ii)(XIII) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
SSI and AFDC differing methodologies	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 8:  In considering all of the various items of resources where the SSI program and the AFDC program have differing methodologies, the State shall follow the methodology of the least restrictive of either the SSI program or the AFDC program.  • The general rules contained in the paragraph above shall apply to determine the resource methodologies employed in consideration of all resource items unless a more specific methodology for a specific resource item is otherwise set forth and included in the State plan.  The above paragraphs apply to the resources of all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Principal residence disregard	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 9:  The principal residence shall not be considered as a resource if any of the following circumstances exist (this is in addition to the reasons specified by the SSI program and the AFDC program):  • if a child under the age of 21 lives on the property, or  • if a dependent relative lives on the property, (for this purpose only, a disabled child age 21 or over shall be considered a dependent relative),  • if a sibling or child age 21 or over of the applicant or beneficiary has continuously resided on the property for at

#### Description:

least one year immediately prior to the date the applicant or beneficiary entered a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility and continues to reside there, or • if the property cannot be readily converted to cash but a bona fide effort is being made to sell the property. A bona fide effort to sell means that the property is listed for sale with a licensed real estate broker for its fair market value established by a qualified real estate appraiser, a good faith effort is being made to sell the property, offers at fair market value are accepted, and the applicant or beneficiary has supplied proof of compliance with these conditions to the county.

The above paragraphs apply to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Bona fide, good faith effort to sell or liquidate resource

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 10:

The value of resources shall be

disregarded when there is a bona fide, good faith effort being made to sell or liquidate the resource. The value of the resource shall be disregarded for as long as the bona fide good faith effort to sell or liquidate continues to be made. This methodology is essentially the same as the methodology applied to resources being sold or liquidated in the eligibility determinations of the SSI and AFDC program, however, since there is no conditional eligibility in the Medicaid program, the applicant/beneficiary shall not be required to sign, as a condition of eligibility, a statement agreeing to make repayment upon the sale of the property.

The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible

Name of resource type:	Description:
	under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

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## C. Income Standard Used

The income standard used for this group is described in the Medically Needy Income Level RU.

### **D. Resource Standard Used**

The resource standard used for this group is described in the Medically Needy Resource Level RU.

## E. Spenddown

The state allows individuals to deduct incurred medical and remedial expenses (spend down) to become eligible under this group. Spenddown is defined in the Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown) RU.

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## F. Additional Information (optional)

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# **Medicaid State Plan Eligibility**

Eligibility Groups - Medically Needy

## Medically Needy Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21

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One or more reasonable classifications of individuals under age 21 who do not qualify as categorically needy.

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The state covers the optional Medically Needy Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21 eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

### A. Characteristics

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Are under age 21, or a lower age, as specified in section C.
- 2. Would not qualify under the Medically Needy Children under Age 18 eligibility group (42 CFR 435.301)
- 3. Are not otherwise eligible for categorically needy coverage under the state plan.
- 4. Have income at or below the medically needy income level and resources at or below the medically needy resource level.

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state covers the following populations:		
. All children under a specified age limit:		
Under age 21		
iji. Under age 20		
. Reasonable classifications of children		
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## Medically Needy Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21 MEDICAID | Medicaid State Plan | Eligibility | CA2019MS00100 | CA-20-0022 **Package Header** Package ID CA2019MS0010O **SPA ID** CA-20-0022 Submission Type Official Initial Submission Date 3/23/2020 **Approval Date** 11/19/2020 Effective Date 1/1/2020 Superseded SPA ID CA 07-006 User-Entered C. Financial Methodologies 1. The state uses the same financial methodology for all individuals covered. No 2. The financial methodology used is: AFDC methodologies. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the state. b. MAGI-like methodologies. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies, completed by the 3. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income. No The less restrictive income methodologies are: Description of disregard: As permitted under Section Census Bureau wages are disregarded. 1902(r)(2), all wages paid to an individual by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to current or future census activities shall be exempt. A specified type of income is disregarded: Name of income type: Description: As referenced in Supplement In-home caregiver wages 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 8: In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met: 1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program. Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt. These

exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups

Name of income type:	Description: referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2): • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Kinship Guardianship Benefit Payments	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 9:  As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), in determining eligibility for the following coverage groups, State funded benefit payments under the State's Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (also known as Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program -Enhanced) shall be exempt. These coverage groups are:  1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1902(a)(10)(C) (i)(III), and 1905(p).

The following less restrictive methodologies are used:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Deductions for ineligible family members	Disregard and amount equal to the appropriate figure below, based on household size. This disregard description clarifies the existing policy listed on pages 6, 6a, and 7 of Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A of the state plan.  Household of 1: \$600 Household of 2: \$750 Household of 2 adults*: \$934 Household of 3: \$934 Household of 5: \$1,259 Household of 6: \$1,417 Household of 6: \$1,417 Household of 7: \$1,550 Household of 9: \$1,825 Household of 10: \$1,959  *A household of two adults where at least one person is aged, blind, or disabled utilizes the deduction for a household size of 3, as permitted by 42 CFR § 435.1007(c).

 ${\it 4. Less \ restrictive \ methodologies \ are \ used \ in \ calculating \ countable \ resources.}$ 



The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to resources set aside for burial.

Specified methodology for the	treatment of resources set aside f	or burial:
	Name of methodology:	Description:
		As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a, Page 2:
		All of the following shall be disregarded in determining eligibility in their entirety and shall not be applied against a single \$1500 limit:
		(1) All of the following burial related funds:
		(a) The first \$1500 paid for clearly designated burial funds such as burial insurance policies with cash surrender values, revocable burial trusts, revocable burial contracts, or other revocable burial arrangements.
		(b) Irrevocable burial trusts or irrevocable burial contracts, or other irrevocable burial arrangements.
	Burial Funds	(c) Burial insurance policies without cash surrender values.
		(2) Life insurance policies on the life of any individual in the family shall be exempt if the combined face value of all of the policies on the insured individual is \$1500 or less.
		(3) All dividends and interest that accrue to and are not removed from the burial fund or policy described in (1) or (2).
		The disregard of life insurance policies and burial related funds is allowed for all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
		(a)(10)(A)(ii), (a)(10)(C)(i)(III), and 1905(p)
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motor vehicle is disregarded	\$pecified conditions:	
		otion: As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a Page 11:

One motor vehicle per budget unit shall be exempt regardless of value or use. The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (?):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

A specified type of resource is disregarded:

Name of resource type:	Description:
Restitution payments made to Holocaust victims	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Pag 12 and 13:
	Excludable restitution payments made to a holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries shall be considered an exempt resource for the purpose of determining eligibility to receive Medi-Cal benefits or the amounts of those benefits.
	A "holocaust victim" is a persor who was persecuted by Nazi Germany, any other Axis regime, or any other Nazi controlled or Nazi-allied country:
	<ul><li>(1) on the basis of race, religion, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation;</li><li>(2) during any period before, during or after.</li></ul>
	An "excludable restitution payment" is any payment or distribution, recovered or returned asset or property, received directly by a holocaus victim or heirs or beneficiaries of a holocaust victim:  (1) as compensation pursuant to the German Act Regulating Unresolved Property Claims, as amended (Gesetz zur Regelung offener Vermogensfragen); (2) as a result of a settlement of claims against any entity or individual for any recovered asset. A "recovered"
	asset" is any asset of any type, including any bank deposits, insurance proceeds, artwork, or interest earned on any of these assets, owned by a

Name of resource type:	holocaust victim, withheld from that holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries and recovered, returned or otherwise compensated to the holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries; (3) as a payment or restitution provided by law, or by a fund, established by any foreign country, the United States of America, or any other foreign or domestic entity, or as a result of a final resolution of a legal action; (4) as a direct or indirect return of, or compensation or reparation for, assets stolen or hidden from, or otherwise lost to, the individual before, during or immediately after World War II, including any insurance proceeds under policies issued on the individual by European insurance companies immediately before and during World War II; or (5) as interest, payable as part of any payment or distribution described in the paragraph.  These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Independence Accounts	Independence Accounts established under the Work Incentives program shall be disregarded in the resource eligibility determination, subject to the limitation identified below:  • Actions involving the accounts are subject to standard eligibility rules relating to resources (e.g., a transfer from the account for less than fair market value would be subject to transfer-of- asset rules).
In-home caregiver resource disregard	Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6A, Page 13  In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met:  1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is

#### Description:

receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.

Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 1.

A resource disregard is given to an individual who has purchased a precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract which covers long-term care and has used such policy or plan to pay for services.

Services which the individual receives and are paid for by the precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract, which covers long-term care, must not be delivered by a member of the individual's family, unless:

- The family member is a regular employee of an organization which is providing the services; and
- The organization receives the payment for the services: and
  The family member receives no compensation other than the normal compensation for employees in his or her job category.

The amount of the disregard is equal to the lesser of the following amounts:

the amount of payments made for services by the insurance policy; or
the actual charge for the services.

Such disregard is in effect for the lifetime of the individual. The disregard is also allowed if a Medicaid application is filed

Name of resource type:	Description:
	on behalf of a deceased individual for payment of costs for care and services received by the individual during his or her lifetime.
	The disregard of resources is allowed for aged. blind and disabled individuals who are otherwise eligible and: A. Medically Needy [1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III)], or B. Optional Categorically Needy [1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)]. except those who are included in Section 1902 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)(XI) and 1902(a)(10) (A) (ii)(IV) who are receiving Supplemental Security Income Payments under Title XVI or a State Supplemental Payment. or C. Who are Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries [1905(p)].
	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 14: All resources exempted from consideration as
Resources exempted under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII)	resources for individuals in the optional coverage group under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act on the basis that they are employer or individual retirement arrangements authorized under the Internal Revenue Code shall continue to be exempt from consideration as resources in all other coverage groups subject to the provisions of 1902(r)(2) under which the individual later becomes eligible for medical assistance where the basis for that eligibility is the individual's age, blindness, or disability.
	These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(l) • 1902(a)
Unpaid incurred medical bills	(10)(A)(ii)(X) • 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)  As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 5:
	Pursuant to court order in Principe v. Belshe (Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 96CSOO115), a resource disregard would be allowed equal to the amount of incurred medical bills that are unpaid in the month where there are excess resources for the entire month,

#### Description:

- only when payment of those medical bills occurs in a later month, and
- verification of payment is provided.

This disregard would be allowed no earlier than the month of application (may not be one of the three months prior to the month of application).

The requirements listed above would have to be met before eligibility is granted for the month throughout which the excess resources existed.

This disregard would apply only to individuals who have excess resources for the entire month but who are otherwise eligible in that month under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

### Japanese Reparation Payments

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 6.

Japanese Reparation payments made by the Canadian government shall be exempt from consideration in determining eligibility for Medi-Cal.

Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments shall be exempt if received by the spouse or inherited from the spouse who was the original recipient, or both.

Where Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments, are converted to another form, amounts of otherwise excess, nonexempt resources sufficient to ensure that the amount of the exemption equals the amount of the reparation payments received by the individual or inherited by the spouse of the individual, or both, shall not be considered as resources in determining eligibility for Medi-

Name of resource type:	Description:
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	These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • (a)(10)(A)(ii) (VI) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) • (a)(10)(A) (ii)(XIII) • (a)(10)(C)(ii)(III) • (a)(10)(C)(ii)(IIII) • (a)(10)(C)(IIII) • (a)(10)(C)(IIIII) • (a)(10)(C)(IIIII) • (a)(10)(C)(IIIII) • (a)(10)(C)(IIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIII
SSI and AFDC differing methodologies	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 8:
	In considering all of the various items of resources where the SSI program and the AFDC program have differing methodologies, the State shall follow the methodology of the least restrictive of either the SSI program or the AFDC program.
	• The general rules contained in the paragraph above shall apply to determine the resource methodologies employed in consideration of all resource items unless a more specific methodology for a specific resource item is otherwise set forth and included in the State plan.
	The above paragraphs apply to the resources of all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Principal residence disregard	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 9:
	The principal residence shall not be considered as a resource if any of the following circumstances exist (this is in addition to the reasons specified by the SSI program and the AFDC program):
	• if a child under the age of 21 lives on the property, or • if a dependent relative lives on the property, (for this purpose only, a disabled child age 21 or over shall be

#### Description:

considered a dependent relative),

- if a sibling or child age 21 or over of the applicant or beneficiary has continuously resided on the property for at least one year immediately prior to the date the applicant or beneficiary entered a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility and continues to reside there, or
- if the property cannot be readily converted to cash but a bona fide effort is being made to sell the property. A bona fide effort to sell means that the property is listed for sale with a licensed real estate broker for its fair market value established by a qualified real estate appraiser, a good faith effort is being made to sell the property, offers at fair market value are accepted, and the applicant or beneficiary has supplied proof of compliance with these conditions to the county.

The above paragraphs apply to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (?):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Bona fide, good faith effort to sell or liquidate resource

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page

The value of resources shall be disregarded when there is a bona fide, good faith effort being made to sell or liquidate the resource. The value of the resource shall be disregarded for as long as the bona fide good faith effort to sell or liquidate continues to be made. This methodology is essentially the same as the methodology applied to resources being sold or liquidated in the eligibility determinations of the SSI and AFDC program, however, since there is no conditional eligibility in the Medicaid program, the applicant/beneficiary shall not be required to sign, as a condition of eligibility, a statement agreeing to make

Name of resource type:	Description:
	repayment upon the sale of the property.
	The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

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#### **D. Income Standard Used**

The income standard used for this group is described in the Medically Needy Income Level RU.

#### **E. Resource Standard Used**

The resource standard used for this group is described in the Medically Needy Resource Level RU.

#### F. Spenddown

The state allows individuals to deduct incurred medical and remedial expenses (spend down) to become eligible under this group. Spenddown is defined in the Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown) RU.

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# **Medicaid State Plan Eligibility**

Eligibility Groups - Medically Needy

#### Medically Needy Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives

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Parents and other caretaker relatives of dependent children who do not qualify as categorically needy.

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The state covers the optional Medically Needy Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

#### **A. Characteristics**

#### Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Meet the definition of parent or caretaker relative, as described in the mandatory Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives eligibility group.
- 2. Are not otherwise eligible for categorically needy coverage under the state plan.
- 3. Have income at or below the medically needy income level and resources at or below the medically needy resource level.

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#### **B.** Financial Methodologies

1. The financial methodology used is:		
. AFDC methodologies. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodologies,	completed by the state.	
b. MAGI-like methodologies. Please refer as necessary to Non-MAGI Methodolog	gies, completed by the state.	
2. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable income.		
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The less restrictive income methodologies are:		
Census Bureau wages are disregarded.	Description of disregard:	As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), all wages paid to an individual by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to current or future census activities shall be exempt.
A specified type of income is disregarded:		

Name of income type:	Description:
In-home caregiver wages	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 8:  In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met: 1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.
	Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt. These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Name of income type:	Description:
Kinship Guardianship Benefit Payments	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 9:  As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), in determining eligibility for the following coverage groups, State funded benefit payments under the State's Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (also known as Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program -Enhanced) shall be exempt. These coverage groups are:  1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1902(a)(10)(C) (i)(III), and 1905(p).

The following less restrictive methodologies are used:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Deductions for ineligible family members	Disregard and amount equal to the appropriate figure below, based on household size. This disregard description clarifies the existing policy listed on pages 6, 6a, and 7 of Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A of the state plan.  Household of 1: \$600 Household of 2: \$750 Household of 2 adults*: \$934 Household of 3: \$934 Household of 5: \$1,259 Household of 5: \$1,259 Household of 6: \$1,417 Household of 7: \$1,550 Household of 7: \$1,550 Household of 9: \$1,825 Household of 10: \$1,959

 ${\bf 3. \ Less \ restrictive \ methodologies \ are \ used \ in \ calculating \ countable \ resources.}$ 

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The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to resources set aside for burial.

Specified methodology for the treatment of resources set aside for burial:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Burial Funds	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a,

	Name of methodology:	Description:
		Page 2:
		All of the following shall be disregarded in determining eligibility in their entirety and shall not be applied against a single \$1500 limit:
		(1) All of the following burial related funds:
		(a) The first \$1500 paid for clearly designated burial funds such as burial insurance policies with cash surrender values, revocable burial trusts, revocable burial contracts, or other revocable burial arrangements.
		(b) Irrevocable burial trusts or irrevocable burial contracts, or other irrevocable burial arrangements.
		(c) Burial insurance policies without cash surrender values.
		(2) Life insurance policies on the life of any individual in the family shall be exempt if the combined face value of all of the policies on the insured individual is \$1500 or less.
		(3) All dividends and interest that accrue to and are not removed from the burial fund or policy described in (1) or (2).
		The disregard of life insurance policies and burial related funds is allowed for all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
		(a)(10)(A)(ii), (a)(10)(C)(i)(III), and 1905(p)
The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to the treatme	ent of motor vehicles	
A motor vehicle is disregarded und		
	Specified conditions:	
		: As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a Page 11:
		One motor vehicle per budget unit shall be exempt regardless of value or use. The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who

are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

specified type of resource is disregarded:

Name of resource type:	Description:
Restitution payments made to Holocaust victims	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 12 and 13:
	Excludable restitution payments made to a holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries shall be considered an exempt resource for the purpose of determining eligibility to receive Medi-Cal benefits or the amounts of those benefits.
	A "holocaust victim" is a person who was persecuted by Nazi Germany, any other Axis regime, or any other Nazi controlled or Nazi-allied country:
	(1) on the basis of race, religion, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation; (2) during any period before, during or after.
	An "excludable restitution payment" is any payment or distribution, recovered or returned asset or property, received directly by a holocaust victim or heirs or beneficiaries of a holocaust victim:
	(1) as compensation pursuant to the German Act Regulating Unresolved Property Claims, as amended (Gesetz zur Regelung offener Vermogensfragen); (2) as a result of a settlement of claims against any entity or individual for any
	recovered asset. A "recovered asset" is any asset of any type, including any bank deposits, insurance proceeds, artwork, or interest earned on any of these assets, owned by a holocaust victim, withheld from
	that holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries and recovered, returned or otherwise compensated to the holocaust victim or his or her

Name of resource type:	Description:
Name of resource type:	heirs or beneficiaries; (3) as a payment or restitution provided by law, or by a fund, established by any foreign country, the United States of America, or any other foreign or domestic entity, or as a result of a final resolution of a legal action; (4) as a direct or indirect return of, or compensation or reparation for, assets stolen or hidden from, or otherwise lost to, the individual before, during or immediately after World War II, including any insurance proceeds under policies issued on the individual by European insurance companies immediately before and during World War II; or (5) as interest, payable as part of any payment or distribution described in the paragraph.  These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Independence Accounts	Independence Accounts established under the Work Incentives program shall be disregarded in the resource eligibility determination, subject to the limitation identified below:  • Actions involving the accounts are subject to standard eligibility rules relating to resources (e.g., a transfer from the account for less than fair market value would be subject to transfer-of- asset rules).
In-home caregiver resource disregard	Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6A, Page 13  In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met:  1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in-home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.

#### Description:

California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in-home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 1.

A resource disregard is given to an individual who has purchased a precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract which covers long-term care and has used such policy or plan to pay for services.

Services which the individual receives and are paid for by the precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract, which covers long-term care, must not be delivered by a member of the individual's family, unless:

- The family member is a regular employee of an organization which is providing the services; and
- The organization receives the payment for the services: and
- The family member receives no compensation other than the normal compensation for employees in his or her job category.

The amount of the disregard is equal to the lesser of the following amounts:

- the amount of payments made for services by the insurance policy; or
- the actual charge for the services.

Such disregard is in effect for the lifetime of the individual. The disregard is also allowed if a Medicaid application is filed on behalf of a deceased individual for payment of costs for care and services received by the individual during his or her lifetime.

Name of resource type:	Description:
	The disregard of resources is allowed for aged. blind and disabled individuals who are otherwise eligible and: A. Medically Needy [1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III)], or B. Optional Categorically Needy [1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)]. except those who are included in Section 1902 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)(XI) and 1902(a)(10) (A) (ii)(IV) who are receiving Supplemental Security Income Payments under Title XVI or a State Supplemental Payment. or C. Who are Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries [1905(p)].
Resources exempted under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII)	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 14: All resources exempted from consideration as resources for individuals in the optional coverage group under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act on the basis that they are employer or individual retirement arrangements authorized under the Internal Revenue Code shall continue to be exempt from consideration as resources in all other coverage groups subject to the provisions of 1902(r)(2) under which the individual later becomes eligible for medical assistance where the basis for that eligibility is the individual's age, blindness, or disability.  These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):  • 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • 1902(a) (10)(C)(i)
Unpaid incurred medical bills	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 5:  Pursuant to court order in Principe v. Belshe (Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 96CSOO115), a resource disregard would be allowed equal to the amount of incurred medical bills that are unpaid in the month where there are excess resources for the entire month,  • only when payment of those medical bills occurs in a later month, and  • verification of payment is provided.

#### Description:

This disregard would be allowed no earlier than the month of application (may not be one of the three months prior to the month of application).

The requirements listed above would have to be met before eligibility is granted for the month throughout which the excess resources existed.

This disregard would apply only to individuals who have excess resources for the entire month but who are otherwise eligible in that month under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page

Japanese Reparation payments made by the Canadian government shall be exempt from consideration in determining eligibility for Medi-

Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments shall be exempt if received by the spouse or inherited from the spouse who was the original recipient, or both.

Where Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments, are converted to another form, amounts of otherwise excess, nonexempt resources sufficient to ensure that the amount of the exemption equals the amount of the reparation payments received by the individual or inherited by the spouse of the individual, or both, shall not be considered as resources in determining eligibility for Medi-

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)

Name of resource type:	Description:
	(2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • (a)(10)(A)(ii) (VI) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) • (a)(10)(A) (ii)(XIII) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 8:
	In considering all of the various items of resources where the SSI program and the AFDC program have differing methodologies, the State shall follow the methodology of the least restrictive of either the SSI program or the AFDC program.
SSI and AFDC differing methodologies	The general rules contained in the paragraph above shall apply to determine the resource methodologies employed in consideration of all resource items unless a more specific methodology for a specific resource item is otherwise set forth and included in the State plan.
	The above paragraphs apply to the resources of all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Principal residence disregard	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 9:
	The principal residence shall not be considered as a resource if any of the following circumstances exist (this is in addition to the reasons specified by the SSI program and the AFDC program):
	if a child under the age of 21 lives on the property, or if a dependent relative lives on the property, (for this purpose only, a disabled child age 21 or over shall be considered a dependent relative), if a sibling or child age 21 or over of the applicant or beneficiary has continuously resided on the property for at

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least one year immediately prior to the date the applicant or beneficiary entered a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility and continues to reside there, or • if the property cannot be readily converted to cash but a bona fide effort is being made to sell the property. A bona fide effort to sell means that the property is listed for sale with a licensed real estate broker for its fair market value established by a qualified real estate appraiser, a good faith effort is being made to sell the property, offers at fair market value are accepted, and the applicant or beneficiary has supplied proof of compliance with these conditions to the county.

The above paragraphs apply to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

Bona fide, good faith effort to sell or liquidate resource

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 10:

The value of resources shall be

disregarded when there is a bona fide, good faith effort being made to sell or liquidate the resource. The value of the resource shall be disregarded for as long as the bona fide good faith effort to sell or liquidate continues to be made. This methodology is essentially the same as the methodology applied to resources being sold or liquidated in the eligibility determinations of the SSI and AFDC program, however, since there is no conditional eligibility in the Medicaid program, the applicant/beneficiary shall not be required to sign, as a condition of eligibility, a statement agreeing to make repayment upon the sale of the property.

The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible

Name of resource type:	Description:
	under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r) (2): • (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) •
	1905(p)

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#### **C. Income Standard Used**

The income standard used for this group is described in the Medically Needy Income Level RU.

#### D. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard used for this group is described in the Medically Needy Resource Level RU.

#### E. Spenddown

The state allows individuals to deduct incurred medical and remedial expenses (spend down) to become eligible under this group. Spenddown is defined in the Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown) RU.

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# **Medicaid State Plan Eligibility**

Eligibility Groups - Medically Needy

#### Medically Needy Populations Based on Age, Blindness or Disability

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Individuals who are age 65 or older or who have blindness or a disability who do not qualify as categorically needy.

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The state covers the optional Medically Needy Populations Based on Age, Blindness or Disability eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

#### **A. Characteristics**

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Meet at least one of the following:
- a. Are age 65 or older;
- b. Have blindness; or
- c. Have a disability.
- 2. Are not otherwise eligible for categorically needy coverage under the state plan.
- 3. Have income at or below the medically needy income level and resources at or below the medically needy resource level.

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. Individuals with blindness			
. Individuals who have a disability			

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		The less restrictive income methodologies are:		
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A specified type of income is disregarded:

Name of income type:	Description:
In-home caregiver wages	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 8:
	In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met: 1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the in- home care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.
	Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in- home care services,

Name of income type:	Description:
	including restaurant meals, shall be exempt. These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):
	• 1902(a)(10)(A) (ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
	As referenced in Supplement 8a of Attachment 2.6-A page 9:
Kinship Guardianship Benefit Payments	As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), in determining eligibility for the following coverage groups, State funded benefit payments under the State's Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (also known as Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (also known as Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program -Enhanced) shall be exempt. These coverage groups are:
Income used to pay spousal or child support	Reference to Supplement 3 of Attachment 2.6 A: The agency uses the same income disregards as used in SSI except as follows:
	Income which must, by court order or by agreement with

Description:
a district attorney (DA), be used to pay spousal or child support is held to be unavailable to set the current needs of ABD-MN applicants and beneficiaries. In these cases the lower of 1) the amount ordered by the court or the DA agreement, or 2)
the amount actually paid is deducted from

the reported income.

he following less restrictive methodologies are used:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Deductions for ineligible family members	Disregard and amount equal to the appropriate figure below, based on household size. This disregard description clarifies the existing policy listed on pages 6, 6a, and 7 of Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A of the state plan.
	Household of 1: \$600 Household of 2: \$750 Household of 2 adults*: \$934 Household of 3: \$934 Household of 4: \$1,100 Household of 5: \$1,259 Household of 6: \$1,417 Household of 7: \$1,550 Household of 8: \$1,692 Household of 9: \$1,825

Name of methodology:	Description:
	\$1,959
	*A household of
	two adults
	where at least
	one person is
	aged, blind, or
	disabled utilizes
	the deduction
	for a household size of 3, as
	permitted by 42
	CFR § 435.1007
	(c).

c. Less restrictive methodologies are used in calculating countable resources.



The less restrictive resource methodologies are:

The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to resources set aside for purial.

Specified methodology for the treatment of resources set aside for burial:

Name of methodology:	Description:
Burial Funds	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-a, Page 2: All of the following shall be disregarded in determining eligibility in their entirety and shall not be applied against a single \$1500 limit:
	(1) All of the following burial related funds:  (a) The first \$1500 paid for clearly designated burial funds such as burial insurance policies with cash surrender values, revocable burial trusts, revocable burial contracts, or other revocable burial arrangements.

# Name of methodology:

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- (b) Irrevocable burial trusts or irrevocable burial contracts, or other irrevocable burial arrangements.
- (c) Burial insurance policies without cash surrender values.
- (2) Life insurance policies on the life of any individual in the family shall be exempt if the combined face value of all of the policies on the insured individual is \$1500 or less.
- (3) All dividends and interest that accrue to and are not removed from the burial fund or policy described in (1) or (2).

The disregard of life insurance policies and burial related funds is allowed for all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):

(a)(10)(A)(ii), (a) (10)(C)(i)(III), and 1905(p)

The state uses a less restrictive methodology with respect to the treatment of motor vehicles.

A motor vehicle is disregarded under specific conditions.

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distribution, recovered or returned asset or property, received directly by a holocaust victim or heirs or beneficiaries of a holocaust victim: (1) as compensation pursuant to the German Act Regulating Unresolved Property Claims, as amended (Gesetz zur Regelung offener Vermogensfrage n); (2) as a result of a settlement of claims against any entity or individual for any recovered asset. A "recovered asset" is any asset of any type, including any bank deposits, insurance proceeds, artwork, or interest earned on any of these assets, owned by a holocaust victim, withheld from that holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries and recovered, returned or otherwise compensated to the holocaust victim or his or her heirs or beneficiaries; (3) as a payment or restitution provided by law, or by a fund, established by any foreign country, the United States of America, or any other foreign or domestic entity, or as a result of a final resolution of a legal action;

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(4) as a direct or indirect return of, or compensation or reparation for, assets stolen or hidden from, or otherwise lost to, the individual before, during or immediately after World War II, including any insurance proceeds under policies issued on the individual by European insurance companies immediately before and during World War II; or (5) as interest, payable as part of any payment or distribution described in the paragraph.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

#### Independence Accounts

Independence
Accounts
established
under the Work
Incentives
program shall be
disregarded in
the resource
eligibility
determination,
subject to the
limitation
identified below:

• Actions involving the accounts are subject to standard eligibility rules relating to resources (e.g., a transfer from the account for

Name of resource type:	Description:
	less than fair market value would be subject to transfer-of- asset rules).
	Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6A, Page 13
	In-home caregiver wages paid to a household member shall be exempt when both of the following conditions are met:
In-home caregiver resource disregard	1) The caregiver is being paid for providing the inhome care to his/her spouse or minor child living in the home, and 2) The spouse or minor child is receiving those in-home services through any federal, state or local government program.
	Payments made by the California Department of Social Services to an in-home care recipient for the purpose of purchasing in- home care services, including restaurant meals, shall be exempt.
	These exemptions shal apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):
	• 1902(a)(10)(A) (ii) • 1902(a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p

Precertified longterm care insurance policy or health care service plan contract

#### Description:

As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 1:

A resource disregard is given to an individual who has purchased a precertified longterm care insurance policy or health care service plan contract which covers long-term care and has used such policy or plan to pay for services.

Services which the individual receives and are paid for by the precertified longterm care insurance policy or health care service plan contract, which covers long-term care, must not be delivered by a member of the individual's family, unless: • The family member is a regular employee of an organization which is providing the services; and • The organization receives the payment for the services: and • The family member receives no compensation other than the normal compensation for employees in his or her job category.

The amount of the disregard is equal to the lesser of the following amounts:

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• the amount of payments made for services by the insurance policy; or • the actual charge for the services.

Such disregard is in effect for the lifetime of the individual. The disregard is also allowed if a Medicaid application is filed on behalf of a deceased individual for payment of costs for care and services received by the individual during his or her lifetime.

The disregard of resources is allowed for aged. blind and disabled individuals who are otherwise eligible and: A. Medically Needy [1902(a) (10)(C)(i)(III)], or B. Optional Categorically Needy [1902(a) (10)(A)(ii)]. except those who are included in Section 1902 (a) (10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (XI) and 1902(a) (10) (A)(ii)(IV) who are receiving Supplemental Security Income Payments under Title XVI or a State Supplemental Payment. or C. Who are Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries [1905(p)].

Resources exempted under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (XIII) As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 14: All

Name of resource type:	Description:
	resources exempted from consideration as resources for
	individuals in the optional
	coverage group under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (XIII) of the Act
	on the basis that they are
	employer or individual retirement
	arrangements authorized
	under the Internal Revenue Code shall
	continue to be exempt from
	consideration as resources in all
	other coverage groups subject to the provisions
	of 1902(r)(2) under which the
	individual later becomes eligible
	for medical assistance where the basis for that
	eligibility is the individual's age,
	blindness, or disability.
	These exemptions shall
	apply to the following coverage groups
	referenced in the Social Security
	Act at Section 1902(r)(2):
	• 1902(a)(10)(A) (ii)(I) • 1902(a)(10)
	(A)(ii)(X) • 1902(a) (10)(C)(i)
Unpaid incurred medical bills	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b
	ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 5:
	Pursuant to court order in
	Principe v. Belshe
	(Sacramento County Superior
	Court Case No.

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disregard would be allowed equal to the amount of incurred medical bills that are unpaid in the month where there are excess resources for the entire month,

• only when payment of those medical bills occurs in a later month, and

 verification of payment is provided.

This disregard would be allowed no earlier than the month of application (may not be one of the three months prior to the month of application).

The requirements listed above would have to be met before eligibility is granted for the month throughout which the excess resources existed.

This disregard would apply only to individuals who have excess resources for the entire month but who are otherwise eligible in that month under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a)

Name of resource type:	Description:
	(10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Japanese Reparation Payments	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 6:
	Japanese Reparation payments made by the Canadian government shall be exempt from consideration in determining eligibility for Medi-Cal.
	Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments shall be exempt if received by the spouse or inherited from the spouse who was the original recipient, or both.
	Where Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments, are converted to another form, amounts of otherwise excess, nonexempt resources sufficient to ensure that the amount of the exemption equals the amount of the
	reparation payments received by the individual or inherited by the spouse of the individual, or both, shall not be considered as resources in

Name of resource type:	Description:
	determining eligibility for Medi-Cal.
	These exemptions shal apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(VI) • (a)(10)(A)(ii)(X) • (a)(10)(A)(ii) (XIII) • (a)(10)(A) (ii)(XVIII) • (a)(10) (C)(i)(III) • 1905(p
SSI and AFDC differing methodologies	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 8:
	In considering al of the various items of resources where the SSI program and the AFDC program have differing methodologies, the State shall follow the methodology of the least restrictive of either the SSI program or the AFDC program.
	• The general rules contained in the paragraph above shall apply to determine the resource methodologies employed in consideration of all resource items unless a more specific
	methodology for a specific resource item is otherwise set forth and included in the State plan.  The above
	paragraphs

Name of resource type:	Description:
	apply to the resources of all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Principal residence disregard	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 9:
	The principal residence shall not be considered as a resource if any of the following circumstances exist (this is in addition to the reasons specified by the SSI program and the AFDC program):
	if a child under the age of 21 lives on the property, or     if a dependent relative lives on the property, (for this purpose only, a disabled child age 21 or over shall be considered a dependent relative),     if a sibling or child age 21 or over of the applicant or beneficiary has continuously resided on the property for at least one year immediately prior to the date the applicant or beneficiary

Name of resource type:	Description:
resource type:	entered a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility and continues to reside there, or • if the property cannot be readily converted to cash but a bona fide effort is being made to sell the property. A bona fide effort to sell means that the property is listed for sale with a licensed real estate broker for its fair market value established by a qualified real estate appraiser, a good faith effort is being made to sell the property, offers at fair market value are accepted, and the applicant or beneficiary has supplied proof of compliance with these conditions to the county.
	The above paragraphs apply to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):
	• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)
Bona fide, good faith effort to sell or liquidate resource	As referenced in SUPPLEMENT 8b TO ATTACHMENT 2.6-A Page 10:

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resources shall be disregarded when there is a bona fide, good faith effort being made to sell or liquidate the resource. The value of the resource shall be disregarded for as long as the bona fide good faith effort to sell or liquidate continues to be made. This methodology is essentially the same as the methodology applied to resources being sold or liquidated in the eligibility determinations of the SSI and AFDC program, however, since there is no conditional eligibility in the Medicaid program, the applicant/benefi ciary shall not be required to sign, as a condition of eligibility, a statement agreeing to make repayment upon the sale of the property.

The above paragraph applies to all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):

• (a)(10)(A)(ii) • (a) (10)(C)(i)(III) • 1905(p)

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# D. Income Standard Used

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#### E. Resource Standard Used

The resource standard used for this group is described in the Medically Needy Resource Level RU.

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#### F. Spenddown

The state allows individuals to deduct incurred medical and remedial expenses (spend down) to become eligible under this group. Spenddown is defined in the Handling of Excess Income (Spenddown) RU.

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