



JENNIFER KENT
Director

State of California—Health and Human Services Agency
Department of Health Care Services



EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
Governor

March 13, 2018

Medi-Cal Eligibility Division Information Letter No.: I 18-04

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS
ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES
ALL COUNTY METAL HEALTH DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY MEDS LIASONS

SUBJECT: 2018 Tuberculosis Income Standard and Related Issues

The purpose of this letter is to provide counties with the 2018 Income Standard and resource information for use in the Medi-Cal Tuberculosis (TB) program. This letter also includes the methodology used for each standard and/or limit provided.

2018 TB Income Standard

Individual: \$1,585

The methodology used for determining the income eligibility standard for this group is the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) break-even point as required by Supplement 1 to Attachment 2.6A of the State Plan.

The SSI break-even point computation (Social Security Program Operations Manual System (POMS) Section SI 00810.350): Federal Benefit Rate (FBR) $\$750 \times 2 + \$85 = \$1,585$.

NOTE: If the applicant is married and living with spouse, use only the applicant's income received in his/her name.

2018 Resource Limit

Individual: \$2,000

The resource limit is based on the SSI resource limit.

NOTE:

- If the applicant is married, when determining property, use only the applicant's separate property and one-half of the community property.
- When determining a child's eligibility, and there are two parents present, allow the parents a property limit of \$3,000. When there is only one parent, use the individual resource limit of \$2,000.

2018 SSI Standard Allocation

The maximum ineligible child allocation is \$375. The allocation for ineligible children is deducted for each ineligible child who lives in the household. There is no ineligible child allocation for any child who receives public assistance.

The computation to determine the SSI standard allocation (SSA POMS SI 01320.500, Social Security Act Section 1614(f)(2)(A), 20 Code of Federal Regulations 416.1165) is the difference between the FBR for a couple and the FBR for an individual:
 $\$1,125 - \$750 = \$375$.

2018 FBR (used to determine the Parental Deduction)

Individual: \$750
Couple: \$1,125

If you have any questions about this Medi-Cal Eligibility Division Information Letter, please contact Lucy Hall at (916) 552-9467 or by email at Lucy.Hall@dhcs.ca.gov.

Originally Signed By

Sandra Williams, Chief
Medi-Cal Eligibility Division