

- Information from Social Security's State Online Query (SOLQ) shows that the individual's SSI payment was terminated.
- The individual is eligible to enroll in Medicare and fails to do so.
- The individual fails to cooperate with BCSE to obtain medical support for a child for whom the individual can legally assign support rights.

When the closure of SSI Medicaid is for a reason other than a move to another state or death, the Worker must evaluate the individual for all other Medicaid coverage groups, including Deemed SSI Medicaid coverage.

**NOTE:** When the reason for SSI termination is that SSA determined the individual no longer disabled, policy below for continued Medicaid must be followed.

When an individual no longer receives SSI because SSA determines he is no longer disabled, SSI Medicaid must be continued for 60 days from the date of the SSA notification that SSI will be stopped. It is continued after the 60-day period when:

- The individual is not eligible under any other full-coverage Medicaid group without a spenddown; and
- The individual has requested an appeal of the decision in a timely manner, as determined by SSA.

The SSI Medicaid continues until a decision is made after the SSA hearing, regardless of whether or not the individual continues to receive an SSI payment. A decision after the hearing occurs when the SSI Medicaid recipient has no right to further administrative appeal. See Chapter 4 for verification of appeal status. See Appendix A of this chapter for SDX information.

**EXAMPLE:** When a recipient fails to appeal an adverse SSA Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) decision to the Appeals Council and the Appeals Council decides not to review the case on its own motion, the ALJ decision is the decision after the hearing for purposes of continued Medicaid, if the 60-day deadline for requesting or initiating an Appeals Council review has expired. If, however, a timely request is made for an Appeals Council review, the decision after the hearing is the Appeals Council's decision to either deny a review or a final decision on the appeal.

**2.12 QUALIFIED MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES (QMB), SPECIFIED LOW-INCOME MEDICAIRE BENEFICIARIES (SLIMB) AND QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS (QI-1) (QIA)****A. QUALIFIED MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES (QMB)**

When a client is dually eligible for QMB coverage and a full Medicaid coverage group, both benefits are issued under the full Medicaid coverage group case number. Continuing eligibility for both benefits must be determined separately. If the client remains eligible for both benefits at the same level, the full Medicaid coverage group AG is updated in the data system to reflect the current case information. If the change results in a spenddown in the full-coverage Medicaid AG and the client remains eligible for QMB, the QMB benefit must continue uninterrupted. If the client is ineligible for QMB, the benefit is discontinued after proper notification.

**B. SPECIFIED LOW-INCOME MEDICAIRE BENEFICIARIES (SLIMB)**

When a client is dually eligible for SLIMB coverage and a full Medicaid coverage group, both benefits are issued under the full Medicaid coverage group case number. Continuing eligibility for both benefits must be determined separately based on the changed case circumstances. If the client remains eligible for both benefits at the same level the full Medicaid coverage group case is updated in the data system to reflect the current case information. If the change results in a spenddown in the full Medicaid case and the client remains eligible for SLIMB, the SLIMB benefit must continue uninterrupted. If the client is ineligible for SLIMB, the benefit is discontinued after proper notification.

**C. QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS (QI-1) (QIA)**

**When a client is eligible for QI-1, he must not be eligible for a full coverage Medicaid group to receive the QIA benefit. When a QIA recipient has an increase in income, there is no provision that his benefits must continue uninterrupted. If the increase in income results in his being ineligible for this Medicaid coverage group, the benefit is discontinued after proper notification.**