

23.10 INCOME

A. TRANSFERS OF INCOME

The transfer of resources policy does not apply to M-WIN.

B. INCOME SOURCES

The income sources in Section 10.3 are treated the same as for SSI-Related Medicaid.

C. BUDGETING METHOD

The method used to anticipate monthly countable income is the same as the one used for AFDC-Related Medicaid in Section 10.6.

D. INCOME DISREGARDS AND DEDUCTIONS

NOTE: RSDI COLAs are disregarded in determining income eligibility until the new FPL limits become effective.

The following disregards and deductions are applied, if applicable.

1. Earned Income

NOTE: These disregards and deductions apply only to earned income. Any unused portion of the disregards or deductions is not applied to unearned income.

- SSI \$20 Disregard: The remainder of the \$20 income disregard. See Unearned Income below.
- SSI Earned Income Disregard: \$65 and ½ of the remainder are subtracted from earned income and from gross profit from self-employment earnings. See item E below.
- Impairment-Related Work Expenses: Expenses for items or services which are directly related to enabling a person with a disability to work and which are necessarily incurred by the individual due to a physical or mental impairment. The individual must be:
 - Disabled, but not blind; and
 - Under age 65

F. SPECIAL SITUATIONS**1. Self-Employment**

Gross profit is determined the same way it is for AFDC-Related Medicaid. The gross profit may be earned or unearned income.

2. Annual Contract Employment

Annual contract employment is treated the same way it is for AFDC-Related Medicaid.

3. Educational Income

Educational Income is counted the same way it is for AFDC-Related Medicaid.

4. Deeming

No income is deemed.

5. Strikers

The presence of a striker has no effect on M-WIN.

6. Irregular Income

Regardless of the source, irregular income is excluded because it cannot be anticipated.

7. Lump Sum Payments

Lump sum payments are treated as unearned income in the month received.

8. Withheld Income**a. From Earned Income**

Earnings withheld to repay an advance payment are disregarded if they were counted in the month received. If not counted in the month received, the withheld earnings are income. No other earned income is excluded just because it is withheld by the employer.