

9.6 TRANSITIONAL MEDICAID (TM), PHASES I AND II**A. THE ASSISTANCE GROUP (AG)****1. Who Must Be Included**

The following persons must be included in the AG.

- All individuals, regardless of WV WORKS receipt, who meet the requirement for TM, Phase I or II. See Chapter 16.
- An individual who joins the household during either TM Phase I or II, who is otherwise **Parents/Caretaker Relatives** Medicaid eligible,

2. Who Cannot Be Included

- SSI Recipients
- Individuals sanctioned by BCSE for non-cooperation in obtaining medical support, if the sanction is applied prior to establishing TM eligibility.

Once TM eligibility is established, individuals included in the TM AG are not required to cooperate with, nor are they referred to, BCSE.

- Individuals who are otherwise ineligible for **Parents/Caretaker Relatives** Medicaid. See Section 9.4.

B. THE INCOME GROUP (IG)

The non-excluded income of the AG and sanctioned individuals is used when determining ineligibility for **Parents/Caretaker Relatives** Medicaid and, therefore, eligibility for TM. The income of the same individuals is used to determine if income exceeds 185% FPL for TM, Phase II.

C. THE NEEDS GROUP (NG)

Countable income is compared to the income limit for the number in the AG to determine eligibility for TM, Phase II. There is no income test for Phase I.