

## 23.1 INTRODUCTION

The Medicaid Work Incentive (M-WIN) full coverage Medicaid group was established by West Virginia Senate Bill 388 to assist individuals with disabilities in becoming independent of public assistance by enabling them to enter the workforce without losing essential medical care. Being eligible for, or enrolled in other health insurance coverage, including Medicare, does not prevent eligibility for M-WIN. The coverage group is effective May 1, 2004.

The M-WIN coverage group operates similarly to health insurance by offering coverage upon receipt of an initial enrollment fee and payment of monthly premiums for ongoing enrollment, coverage that begins the month after payment is received, and once the coverage is provided, refunds are generally not given.

This chapter outlines the specific guidelines for determining eligibility for this group.