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ES-MCAT-1	FORM	4/96	ES-MCAT-1	FORM	4/97				
DATE: March, 1997 TO: All Income Maintenance Manual Holders									

This change updates the income guidelines that are based on the Federal Poverty Level.

The ES-MCAT-1 and ES-SLIMB-1 are being reprinted. Make copies of the ones attached until you receive a new supply.

The ES-CG-TM-1 and ES-CG-TM-2 are being updated.

The 1997 TRIP income amounts have also been updated.

This change is effective April 1, 1997.

Questions should be directed to the IM Policy Unit in the Office of Family Support.

APPENDIX A - INCOME LIMITS

TRIP	504	746	821	968	971	1,046	1,121	1,196	1,271	1,346
C/U 185% SON	1,075	1,454	1,833	2,212	2,592	2,971	3,350	3,729	4,108	4,487
C/U 100% SON	581	786	991	1,196	1,401	1,606	1,811	2,016	2,221	2,426
C/U PAY- MENT	149	201	253	312	360	413	462	417	417	477
300% FPL	1,974									
200% FPL	1,316									
185% FPL	1,217	1,637	2,056	2,475	2,894	3,314	3,733	4,152	4,572	4,991
150% FPL	987	1,327	1,667	2,007	2,347	2,687	3,027	3,367	3,707	4,047
133% FPL	875	1,176	1,478	1,779	2,081	2,382	2,684	2,985	3,287	3,588
120% FPL	789	1,061								
100% FPL	658	885	1,111	1,338	1,565	1,791	2,018	2,245	2,471	2,698
NUMBER OF PERSONS	1	2	3	4	5	9	7	8	6	10

LIEAP		709	950	1,190	1,430	1,670	1,910	2,151	2,391	2,631	2,871
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T TEST	E&D	1,065	1,425	1,785	2,145	2,506	2,866	3,226	3,586	3,947	4,308
FOOD STAMP GROSS/NET TEST	NET	645	864	1,082	1,300	1,519	1,737	1,955	2,174	2,392	2,610
FOOD STAMI	GROSS	839	1,123	1,407	1,690	1,974	2,258	2,542	2,826	3,110	3,394
MAXIMUM	ALLOTMENT	120	220	315	400	475	570	630	720	810	006
NUMBER	PERSONS	1	2	3	4	2	9	7	8	6	10

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES

*** SPECIFIED LOW-INCOME MEDICARE BENEFICIARY ***

The following information is given as a guideline only. In order to determine Medicaid eligibility, an application must be filed with the local Department of Health and Human Resources in the county in which you live.

The Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary or SLIMB program could help you if you have Medicare Part A and have income too high to be eligible for regular Medicaid or Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) coverage. If you qualify as a SLIMB, you will be eligible to have your Medicare Part B premiums paid for you. This means you could keep the money you now use to pay the Part B premium. This is \$43.80 per month or \$525.60 a year!

Generally, to qualify for the SLIMB program you must:

- be receiving Medicare Part A,
- -- have monthly income between \$659 and \$789 for one person or between \$885 and \$1,061 for a couple. Income is such things as Social Security, pensions, interest income, etc. NOTE: The Qualified Medicare Beneficiary Program (QMB) covers person's with lower income amounts.
- -- have assets of not more than \$4,000 for one person or \$6,000 for a couple. Assets are things such as bank accounts (checking, savings, certificates of deposit, Christmas club, etc.), stocks, bonds, cash value of some life insurance policies, property that does not adjoin your home, etc. Your home and adjoining property, one automobile, burial plots, home furnishings, property in which you only have a life i nterest and personal jewelry are not counted as assets.

If you think you might be eligible as a SLIMB, you should file an application for Medicaid at your county Department of Health and Human Resources office. You do not need to visit the office to file an application. You could request an application to be mailed to you which could then be completed and mailed back to the local Department office.

If you are eligible, remember Medicaid will only pay for the Medicare Part B premium and you will not receive a Medicaid card. You must still pay for other Medicare coinsurance and deductibles and for prescriptions.



STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES

APPLICATION SCREENING FORM FOR: QUALIFIED MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES SPECIFIED LOW-INCOME MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES

THIS FORM IS NOT AN APPLICATION FORM. This is only a guide to indicate whether or not you are potentially eligible and to outline the eligibility requirements. The only true way to make sure you are eligible is to fill out form ES-MCAT-2.

Please answer all questions as completely and accurately as you can. If you do not understand a question or have any other concerns, please contact your local Health and Human Resources Office or call toll-free 1-800-642-8589.

	YOUR NAME:						
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1.	Are you age 65 or older? If your answer to question number 1 is "NO", please answer questions numbered 2 and 3. If your answer to number 1 is "YES", skip to question number 4.						
2.	Have you received Somonths or longer?	ocial Security disability t	YES	NO			
3.	Are you on maintenar transplant for perman	nce dialysis or have you lent kidney failure?	had a kidney	YES	NO		
	you are not eligible as Low-Income Medicare	s a Qualified Medicare E e Beneficiary. If you an	the 3 questions listed above, Beneficiary or a Specified swered "YES" to any of ver the question listed below				
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