

New Mexico

Number of recipients: In January 2002, 199 people received optional state supplementation.

State Assistance for Special Needs

State Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

Administration: State-administered through the county offices of the Human Services Department.

Optional State Supplementation

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Effective date: July 1, 1976.

Statutory basis for payment: Chapter 51, Laws of 1976.

Funding

Administration: State funds.

Assistance: State funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining payment levels.

Place of application: County offices of the Human Services Department.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to SSI recipients who reside in a licensed adult residential care home.

Resource limitations: Same as federal.

Income exclusions: Same as federal.

Recoveries, liens, and assignments: None.

Responsibility of relatives: None.

Interim assistance: State participates.

Payment levels: Combined federal and state supplementation for persons in licensed adult residential care homes is \$645 for individuals and \$1,017 for couples. State supplementation is \$100 for individuals and \$200 for couples.¹

Administration

County offices of the Human Services Department (state-administered).

Special Needs Circumstances

Burial expenses provided for SSI recipients, including disabled recipients who received special monthly benefits under section 1619(a) of the Social Security Act. Payment of up to \$200 toward funeral expenses if available resources of the deceased are insufficient to cover costs and no other person will assume expenses. No payment is made when resources available from all sources total \$600 or more.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: SSI program guidelines (Title XVI).

Determined by: Social Security Administration.

Medically Needy Program

State does not provide a program for the aged, blind, and disabled medically needy.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration does not obtain this information

1. Unless otherwise stated, payment levels apply equally to aged, blind, and disabled persons. Recipients in a Medicaid facility who have other sources of income are allowed to keep \$45 a month as a personal needs allowance. Persons in intermediate care facilities for mental retardation working in sheltered workshops can keep up to \$100 a month of their earnings in addition to the \$45 a month.