

Georgia

State Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

Administration: Social Security Administration.

Optional State Supplementation

Administration: Georgia Department of Human Resources.

Effective date: July 1, 2006.

Statutory basis for payment: Georgia House Bill 1027, line 2496.

Funding

Administration: State funds.

Assistance: State funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining payment levels.

Place of application: No application required. State uses computerized listing from Social Security Administration to identify eligible recipients.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to all SSI recipients residing in nursing or hospice program in nursing home settings.

Resource limitations: Federal SSI regulations apply.

Income exclusions: Federal SSI regulations apply.

Recoveries, liens, and assignments: None.

Financial responsibility of relatives: None.

Interim assistance: State participates.

Payment calculation method: The state pays a supplement to individuals who reside in Medicaid facilities.

Payment levels: See Table 1.

Number of recipients: See Table 2.

Total expenditures: The state reported expenditures of \$1,575,160 for calendar year 2007 in state-administered payments to SSI recipients.

State Assistance for Special Needs

State does not provide assistance for special needs.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: SSI program guidelines (Title XVI).

Determined by: Social Security Administration.

Medically Needy Program

State provides a program for the aged, blind, and disabled medically needy.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration does not obtain this information.

Table 1.
Optional state supplementation payment levels, January 2008 (in dollars)

Living arrangement	Combined federal and state		State supplementation	
	Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
Medicaid facility	50.00	100.00	20.00	40.00

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Office of Income Security Programs; state information.

DEFINITION:

Medicaid facility. Includes recipients residing in a federal Code D living arrangement.

Table 2.
Number of persons receiving optional state supplementation, January 2008

Living arrangement	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled
Medicaid facility	2,680	761	24	1,895

SOURCE: State information.