

# Health Care Eligibility

For an application form, contact your local county DHS office or call 1-800-482-8988.

## Aged, Blind and Disabled Categories (AABD)

Program	Income Limit		Income Disregards	Resource Limit	Excluded From Resources	Counted Toward Resource Limit	Other
	Individual	Couple					
<p><b>SSI</b> DHS does not determine eligibility for this category. Individuals who qualify for SSI automatically receive Health Care.</p>	\$943	\$1,415	<p>\$20 General exclusion applied to unearned income first</p> <p>\$65.00 + 1/2 of remainder of monthly earned income.</p>	<p>Individual \$2000 Couple \$3000</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A home</li> <li>1 car excluded</li> <li>A 2<sup>nd</sup> car can be excluded if it is essential to the means of self-support of the individual or couple.</li> <li>Some non-home income producing properties</li> <li>Life insurance without a cash surrender value</li> <li>Burial spaces</li> <li>Irrevocable burial arrangements</li> <li>Personal effects (ex. antiques)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cash on hand and in bank (less income received that month)</li> <li>Stocks and bonds</li> <li>Real property other than the home</li> <li>Personal property (ex. non-excludable car, trailers, boats, etc.)</li> <li>Life insurance with a cash surrender value if face value is over \$1500</li> <li>Revocable burial funds (less \$1500 exclusion per spouse if \$1500 exclusion is not used through application of other burial arrangements)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Elderly, blind or disabled. Elderly is defined as age 65 or older</li> <li>SSI recipient</li> <li>Retroactive eligibility based on information from SSA</li> <li>Full Benefit</li> </ul>
<p><b>AABD Adult Spend Down</b></p>	\$108.33 If income exceeds limit, deduct medical bills	\$216.66 If income exceeds limit, deduct medical bills	Same as SSI	Same as SSI	Same as SSI	Same as SSI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must re-enroll for spend down every 3 months. The Spend Down will be set up for a fixed period of time, not to exceed 3 months.</li> <li>Full Benefit</li> </ul>
<p><b>Pickle (COLA)</b></p>	\$943	\$1,415	<p>Same as SSI</p> <p>Deduct all COLAs received since loss of SSI</p>	<p>Individual \$2000 Couple \$3000</p>	Same as SSI	Same as SSI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Current recipient of SSA</li> <li>Previously entitled to SSA and SSI concurrently</li> <li>Lost SSI for any reason and would be SSI eligible with deduction of all COLAs received since loss of SSI</li> <li>Retroactive eligibility based on information from SSA</li> <li>Full Benefit</li> </ul>
<p><b>Disabled Adult Child (DAC)</b></p>	\$943	\$1,415	<p>Same as SSI</p> <p>Deduct DAC entitlement or increase that made them SSI ineligible</p>	<p>Individual \$2000 Couple \$3000</p>	Same as SSI	Same as SSI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Age 18 or older</li> <li>Became disabled or blind before age 22</li> <li>Lost SSI due to DAC entitlement or DAC increase</li> <li>Retroactive eligibility based on information from SSA</li> <li>Full Benefit</li> </ul>

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<b>Widows/Widowers and Surviving Divorced Spouses with a Disability (OBRA '90)</b>	\$943	\$1,415	Same as SSI  Deduct all SSA income	Individual \$2,000 Couple \$3,000	Same as SSI	Same as SSI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current recipient of SSA Widow/ Widower or Disabled Surviving Divorced Spouse benefits</li> <li>• Not entitled to Medicare</li> <li>• Lost SSI due to entitlement of SSA Widows/Widowers/Surviving Divorced Spouse benefits</li> <li>• Retroactive eligibility based on information from SSA</li> <li>• Full Benefit</li> </ul>
<b>Long Term Services &amp; Supports, Assisted Living, ARChoices &amp; DDS Waiver</b>	\$2,829 (All applicants are treated as individuals for income purposes)		Income of spouse and children not counted.	Individual \$2000 Couple \$3000	Same as SSI, except when one spouse is institutionalized, the other may be able to keep a portion of the resources up to \$154,140 based on a formula.	Same as SSI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Functional eligibility</li> <li>• Categorical eligibility</li> <li>• Institutional status</li> <li>• Cost effective</li> <li>• Level of Care assessment</li> <li>• ARChoices, Assisted Living Facility, and DDS- No retroactive coverage</li> <li>• Full Benefit</li> </ul>
<b>Medicare Savings Beneficiaries</b> <b>ARSeniors</b> (Provides Full Medicaid) <b>QMB</b> (Pays Part B premiums, deductibles & copays) <b>SMB</b> (Pays Part B premium) <b>QI-1</b> (Pay Part B premium)	\$1004.00  \$1255.00  \$1506.00  \$1694.25	\$1362.67  \$1703.33  \$2044.00  \$2299.50	Same as SSI	Individual \$9,430  Couple \$14,130	Same as SSI	Same as SSI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medicare beneficiary</li> <li>• Age 65 or older, blind or disabled</li> <li>• ARSeniors is only for individuals age 65 or older. Retroactive coverage three (3) months prior to application date</li> <li>• ARSeniors Full Benefit</li> <li>• QMB:- not eligible for retroactive coverage</li> <li>• SMB/QI-1- Retroactive coverage can be up to 3 months, but cannot go prior to January 1 in the year of application.</li> </ul>
<b>PACE</b>	\$2,829 (All applicants are treated as individuals for income purposes)		Income of spouse and children not counted.	Individual \$2000 Couple \$3000	Same as SSI, except when one spouse is institutionalized, the other may be able to keep a portion of the resources up to \$154,140 based on a formula.	Same as SSI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 55 years old or older</li> <li>• Live in PACE area</li> <li>• Functional eligibility</li> <li>• Cost of care contribution</li> <li>• Not eligible for retroactive coverage</li> <li>• Full Benefit</li> </ul>

<b>Workers with Disabilities</b>	No earned income limit. Unearned income must be at or under the SSI individual limit. Total income will be used to determine cost sharing amount.	N/A	No Resource Limit	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meet disability criteria</li> <li>• Eligible for SSI except for earned income</li> <li>• Working (as defined in policy)</li> <li>• Retroactive coverage 3 months prior to application date</li> <li>• Full Benefit</li> </ul>
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<b>TEFRA</b>	\$2,829 (Only child's income is counted)		N/A	\$2000 (Only child's resources are counted)	Same as SSI	Same as SSI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Functional eligibility</li> <li>• Children who would otherwise be institutionalized</li> <li>• Custodial parents with taxable income at or above the 150% of the FPL or over \$25,000 in annual income, whichever is more, must pay a premium based on income</li> <li>• Retroactive coverage 3 months prior to application date</li> <li>• Full Benefit 12 month continuous eligibility</li> </ul>
<b>Autism</b>	\$2,829 (Only child's income is counted)		N/A	\$2000 (Only child's resources are counted)	Same as SSI	Same as SSI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Functional eligibility</li> <li>• Autism diagnosis</li> <li>• Disability determination</li> <li>• Age requirement</li> <li>• No retroactive coverage</li> <li>• Full Benefit</li> </ul>

# Quick Reference – Health Care Eligibility

## Family and Individuals Health Care Categories (MAGI)

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<b>Former Foster Care</b>	No Income Limit	N/A	No Resource Limit	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have aged out of the Arkansas Foster Care Program between the ages of 18 through 21</li> <li>• Must have aged out of foster care in another state who reached the age of 18 on or after January 01, 2023.</li> <li>• Retroactive coverage can begin up to 3 months prior to application</li> <li>• Full Benefit</li> <li>• 12 month continuous eligibility for recipients under 19</li> </ul>																								

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NON-MAGI Families</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Spend Down</b></p> <p>(a) Pregnant Woman (b) Under-18 (U-18) (c) Unemployed Parent (d) AFDC related</p>	<u>Family Size</u>	<u>Income</u>		<u>Family Size</u>				
		1	\$108.33		1	\$2000		
		2	\$216.66	Deduct \$90 for work related expenses.	2	\$3000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A home</li> <li>• Household and personal goods</li> <li>• Student loans and grants</li> <li>• Other bona fide loans</li> <li>• One burial plot per family member</li> </ul>	
		3	\$275.00		3	\$3100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cash on hand or in the bank (less income received that month)</li> <li>• Stocks and bonds</li> <li>• Accessible trust funds</li> <li>• Cash surrender value of life insurance policies</li> <li>• U.S. Savings Bonds</li> <li>• Other personal property</li> <li>• Equity value in excess of \$1,500 is counted for one car: Full equity value is counted for additional cars</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Pregnant Woman only</li> <li>(b) Under-18: Children under 18 years only</li> <li>(c) Deprivation due to unemployment of parent</li> <li>(d) Deprivation due to absence, death or disability of parent</li> <li>• Retroactive coverage can begin up to 3 months prior to application</li> <li>• Full Benefit</li> </ul>
		4	\$333.33	Deduct actual childcare expenses up to \$200 a month for a child under age 2 or \$175 a month for a child age 2 or older.	4	\$3200		
		Add \$58.33 for each additional member			Add \$100 for each additional person			
		Deduct outstanding medical bills if income exceeds limit for household size						

\* This is a brief summary of eligibility requirements. Other factors will also enter into determining your eligibility for a program. Unless otherwise noted, all categories receive "full" Health Care. Benefit packages are defined by the Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Services. This information was current at the time this summary was prepared but changes may have been made subsequently due to federal regulations, state laws, court decisions or other factors. DHS cannot be bound by any information in this reference chart that conflicts with current policy or program requirements.

Arkansas' complete Health Care Policy can be found at: <https://humanservices.arkansas.gov/divisions-shared-services/county-operations/division-policies/>  
 Additional information is available at: <https://medicaid.mmis.arkansas.gov/>