

OPERATIONAL MEMO

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Purpose and Audience:

The purpose of this operational memo is to advise eligibility sites of the increased resource limits for Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (QMB), Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiaries (SLMB), Qualified Individuals (QI-1), and Low-Income Subsidy (LIS) resource limits.

Information:

Section 112 of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA), signed into law on July 15, 2008, amended Section 1905(p)(1)(C) of the Social Security Act to make the resource limit for QMB, SLMB, and QI-1 conform to the resource limit for individuals who qualify for the full subsidy Medicare Part D LIS. The resource limit does not apply for the Qualified Disabled Working Individuals (QDWI) program. The resource test was increased effective January 1, 2024, for QMB, SLMB, QI-1 and LIS and is listed below.

QMB		SLMB			
	2023	2024		2023	2024
Individual	\$10,590	\$10,930	Individual	\$10,590	\$10,930
Couple	\$16,630	\$17,130	Couple	\$16,630	\$17,130

QI-1		QDWI			
	2023	2024		2023	2024
Individual	\$10,590	\$10,930	Individual	\$4,000	\$4,000
Couple	\$16,630	\$17,130	Couple	\$6,000	\$6,000

(MSP Resource limits include \$1,500 burial expenses for individuals and \$3,000 burial expenses for couples)

Low-Income Subsidy			
	2023	2024	
Individual	\$16,660	\$17,010	
Couple	\$33,240	\$33,950	

Action To Be Taken:

Eligibility Sites should ensure these updated resource limits are being applied in calculations to make an accurate eligibility determination.

Attachment(s):

None

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