

## Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs): Eligibility and Coverage (2025)

Type of MSP	Financial Eligibility*	Effective Date of MSP Enrollment	Benefits Covered by the MSP
Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB)	Monthly Income**: (at or below 100% FPL/+ \$20 income disregard per household) \$1,325 if single \$1,783 if married  Alaska \$1,650 if single \$2,223 if married  Hawaii \$1,520 if single \$2,047if married  Resources^: \$9,660 if single, \$14,470 if married	The first of the month following the month eligibility is documented.	<ul> <li>Part A</li> <li>Part A hospital deductible (\$1,676/per benefit period)</li> <li>Part A hospital copays: days 61-90 (\$419 daily), days 91-150 (\$838 daily)</li> <li>Part A SNF copays: days 21-100 (\$209.50 daily)</li> <li>Part A monthly premium (up to \$518)</li> <li>Part B</li> <li>Part B annual deductible (\$257)</li> <li>Part B monthly premium (\$185)</li> <li>Part B 20% coinsurance (amount varies)</li> </ul>
Specified Low- Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB)	Monthly Income**: (between 100-120% FPL/+ \$20 disregard) \$1,585 if single \$2,135 if married  Alaska: \$1,975 if single \$2,663if married  Hawaii: \$1,819if single \$2,452if married  Resources^: \$9,660 if single, \$14,470 if married	3 months retroactive from the date of application if your client meets eligibility criteria during those months	Part B monthly premium (\$185)

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Qualifying Individual (QI)	Monthly Income**: (between 121-135% FPL/+ \$20 disregard) \$1,781 if single \$2,400if married  Alaska: \$2,220 if single \$2,994 if married  Hawaii: \$2,044 if single \$2,756if married  Resources^: \$9,660 if single, \$14,470 if married	3 months retroactive from the date of application if your client meets eligibility criteria during those months	Part B monthly premium (\$185)
Qualified Disabled Working Individual (QDWI)	Monthly Income: \$5,302 if single*** \$7,135 if married***  Alaska: \$6,602 if single \$8,895 if married  Hawaii: \$6,082 if single \$8,192 if married  Resources: \$4,000 if single, \$6,000 if married	3 months retroactive from the date of application if your client meets eligibility criteria during those months	Medicare Part A monthly premium up to \$518/month in 2025 (for people with Medicare who are under age 65, disabled, and no longer qualify for free Medicare Part A or Medicaid because they returned to work and their income exceeds the limit)

## Notes

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<sup>\*</sup> States can apply more liberal income and resource eligibility criteria. Check with your state Medicaid agency.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Income limits, as per CMS guidance, are rounded <u>up</u> to the next dollar. States may disregard other income aside from the standard \$20 general exclusion included in above incomes.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>QDWI income thresholds range up to 400% FPL and include \$20 unearned and \$65 earned income disregards.

<sup>^</sup> Resources do <u>not</u> include \$1,500 per person burial allowance. States vary on how they count this resource; see <u>our burial disregard fact sheet</u> for more information. All figures in this chart are derived from the 2025 <u>ASPE poverty guidelines</u>.



## **State-specific guidelines for Medicare Savings Programs**

State guidelines are estimated using 2025 poverty figures and published variations to income and asset limits and rounded to the nearest dollar. Please verify with your state Medicaid agency for the most up-to-date guidelines.

State	Monthly Income^	Assets
Alabama	Federal	No limit
Alaska	QMB: \$1,650 / \$2,223; SLMB: \$1,975 / \$2,663; QI: \$2,220 / \$2,994	Federal
Arizona	Federal	No limit
Arkansas	Federal	Federal
California	Federal	Asset limit eliminated
Colorado	Federal	Federal
Connecticut	QMB: \$2,752 / \$3,719; SLMB: \$3,013 / \$4,072; QI (ALMB): \$3,209 / \$4,336	No limit
Delaware	Federal	No limit
District of Columbia	<b>QMB:</b> \$3,418 / \$4,598	No limit



Florida	Federal	Federal
Georgia	Federal	Federal
Hawaii	QMB: \$1,520 / \$2,047; SLMB: \$1,819 / \$2,452; QI: \$2,044 / \$2,756	Federal
Idaho	Federal	Federal
Illinois	Federal; increased income disregard to \$25; QMB: \$1,330 / \$1,788; SLMB: \$1,590 / \$2,140; QI: \$1,786 / \$2,405	Federal
Indiana	<b>QMB</b> : \$1,977 / \$2,664; <b>SLMB</b> : \$2,238 / \$3,017; <b>QI</b> : \$2,433 / \$3,281	Federal
lowa	Federal	Federal
Kansas	Federal	Federal
Kentucky	Federal	Federal
Louisiana	Federal	No limit
Maine	<b>QMB:</b> \$2,413 / \$3,261; <b>QI:</b> \$3,261 / \$4,407	No limit
Massachusetts	<b>QMB:</b> \$2,478 / \$3,349; <b>SLMB:</b> \$2,738 / \$3,701; <b>QI:</b> \$2,934 / \$3,966	No limit



Maryland	Federal	Federal
Michigan	Federal	Federal
Minnesota	Federal	\$10,000 / \$18,000
Mississippi	Federal; increased income disregard to \$50; QMB: \$1,355 / \$1,813; SLMB: \$1,615 / \$2,165; QI: \$1,811 / \$2,430	No limit
Missouri	Federal	Federal
Montana	Federal	Federal
Nebraska	Federal	Federal
Nevada	Federal	Federal
New Hampshire	Federal	Federal
New Jersey	Federal	Federal
New Mexico	Federal	No limit
New York	<b>QMB:</b> \$1,820 / \$2,453; <b>QI:</b> \$2,446 / \$3,299	No limit



North Carolina	Federal	Federal
North Dakota	Federal	Federal
Ohio	Federal	Federal
Oklahoma	Federal	Federal
Oregon	Federal	No limit
Pennsylvania	Federal	Federal
Rhode Island	Federal	Federal
South Carolina	Federal	Federal
South Dakota	Federal	Federal
Tennessee	Federal	Federal
Texas	Federal	Federal
Utah	Federal	Federal



Vermont	Federal	No limit
Virginia	Federal	Federal
Washington	QMB: \$1,454 / \$1,959; SLMB: \$1,585 / \$2,136; QI: \$1,820 / \$2,453; QDWI: \$2,628 / \$3,546	No limit
West Virginia	Federal	Federal
Wisconsin	Federal	Federal
Wyoming	Federal	Federal

States marked with an asterisk (\*) in the table above use different naming conventions for their programs from the standard nomenclature:

- Alaska: QI is called SLMB PlusConnecticut: QI is called ALMB
- District of Columbia: QMB is the sole program, with expanded eligibility
- Maine: Groups SLMB and QI together
- Maryland: QI is called SLMB II
- Nebraska: Federal QMB is replaced with full Medicaid. SLMB and QI are referred to as QMB.
- New Hampshire: QI is called SLMB-135
- New York: Eliminated SLMB in 2023

<sup>^</sup> Monthly income includes +\$20 income disregard, except in those states that have higher income disregards or no disregard, as noted below. Income is rounded to the nearest dollar.



- North Carolina: QMB, SLMB, and QI are called MQB, MQB-B, and MBQ-E respectively
- Oregon: SLMB and QI are called SMB and SMF respectively
- Wisconsin: QI is called SLMB Plus

## References

For income levels, see the 2025 federal poverty level guidelines at: https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines

See the Medicare.gov webpage that details Medicare costs, available at: https://www.medicare.gov/basics/costs/medicare-costs

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