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Important 2022 Medicaid Eligibility Figures



The New Year brings with it new Medicaid income and resource eligibility figures which became effective January 1, 2022. Medicaid is a program for those who have very little in income and assets/resources. That said, those who currently have more than the Medicaid eligibility rules allow can receive benefits without spending everything down. Here are the current requirements:

1. A Medicaid applicant can have no more than \$16,800 in non-qualified resources, and residences and retirement funds continue to be protected in certain circumstances
2. A Medicaid home care applicant who is 65 or older can retain monthly income of \$954
3. The healthy spouse residing at home (the "community spouse") whose spouse is a resident of a nursing home can retain \$3,435 in monthly income. Where the community spouse does not receive \$3,435 in monthly income, the community spouse can receive additional income from the sick spouse until the community spouse's monthly income reaches \$3,435
4. Spousal Impoverishment budgeting rules allow the community spouse to have available resources of \$74,820 to \$137,400

If you believe that you or a loved one do not qualify for Medicaid benefits based on the above information, please give us a call. As knowledgeable Elder Law attorneys, we can provide the legal advice needed to achieve Medicaid eligibility without losing all income or spending down a lifetime of assets.

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