

Texas

State Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

No recipients.

Optional State Supplementation

Administration: Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

Effective date: September 1, 1999.

Statutory basis for payment: Texas Human Resources Code, section 32.024(V).

Funding

Administration: State funds.

Assistance: State funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining payment levels.

Place of application: Social Security Administration field offices.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to all SSI recipients residing in nursing or intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded and whose countable income is less than \$60.

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 does not participate.

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.

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 families and children.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration obtains this information.

Table 1.
Optional state supplementation payment levels, January 2006 (in dollars)

| Living arrangement | Combined federal and state | | State supplementation | |
|--------------------|----------------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------|
| | Individual | Couple | Individual | Couple |
| Medicaid facility | 60.00 | a | 30.00 | a |

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

a. Couples residing in this living arrangement for more than 30 days are treated as two individuals.

DEFINITION:

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

Table 2.
Number of persons receiving optional state supplementation, January 2006

| Living arrangement | Total | Aged | Blind | Disabled |
|--------------------|--------|-------|-------|----------|
| Medicaid facility | 13,102 | 3,371 | 179 | 9,552 |

SOURCE: State information.