

Louisiana

State Supplementation

Minimum State Supplementation

Administration: Social Security Administration.

Optional State Supplementation

Administration: State Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing.

Effective date: March 1, 1982

Statutory basis for payment: Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 133, 1980.

Funding

Administration: State funds.

Assistance: State funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining payment levels.

Place of application: Local offices of the state Bureau of Health Services Financing and contractors.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to all aged, blind, and disabled persons, including children, who reside in a nonpsychiatric Medicaid long-term care facility.

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 levels: See Table 1.

Number of recipients: See Table 2.

State Assistance for Special Needs

State provides assistance for special needs only to recipients who were determined eligible on or before December 1975.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: SSI program guidelines (Title XVI).

Determined by: Social Security Administration.

Medically Needy Program

State provides a program for the aged, blind, and disabled medically needy.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration obtains this information.

Table 1.
Optional state supplementation payment levels, January 2004 (in dollars)

Living arrangement	Combined federal and state		State supplementation	
	Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
Medicaid facility	38.00	76.00	8.00	16.00

DEFINITION:

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

Table 2.
Number of persons receiving optional state supplementation, January 2004

Living arrangement	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled
Medicaid facility	4,866	1,496	57	3,313