

Delaware

Funding

Administration: State funds.

Assistance: State funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining payment levels.

Place of application: Social Security Administration.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to aged, blind, and disabled adults who are SSI recipients, or would be except for income and live in an approved adult residential care facility. Children under age 18 are not eligible for supplementation but may receive benefits and services under the child welfare program.

Resource limitations: None.

Income exclusions: None.

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 Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

Administration: Social Security Administration.

Optional State Supplementation

Administration: Social Security Administration administers payments to recipients living in an adult residential care facility; the Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Social Services, administers payments to recipients living independently. Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Social Services, determines eligibility for special adult residential care supplement.

Effective date: January 1, 1974.

Statutory basis for payment: Delaware Code, title 31, section 505.

Table 1.

Optional state supplementation payment levels, January 2005 (in dollars)

Living arrangement	State code	Combined federal and state		State supplementation	
		Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
Certified adult residential care facility	A	719.00	1,317.00	140.00	448.00
Living independently	...	a	a	a	a

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

a. Supplementation for individuals in this living arrangement has been discontinued. The state did not provide supplementation for couples.

DEFINITIONS:

A: Certified adult residential care facility. Includes recipients who are certified by the Delaware Department of Health and Social Services as residents of an adult residential care home.

Living independently. Includes recipients who live in their own household.

Table 2.
Number of persons receiving optional state supplementation, January 2005

Living arrangement	State code	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	
					Adults	Children ^a
Certified adult residential care facility	A	708	55	12	595	46
Living independently	...	b	b	b	b	b

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

a. Benefits received under child welfare program.

b. Supplementation in this living arrangement has been discontinued.

State Assistance for Special Needs

Administration

Delaware Department of Health and Social Services,
 Division of Social Services.

Special Needs Circumstances

State provides cash assistance for specific emergencies on a one-time basis.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: SSI program guidelines (Title XVI).

Determined by: Social Security Administration.

Medically Needy Program

State does not provide a program for the medically needy.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration obtains this information.