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|  | GEORGIA DIVISION OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES | | | |
| | MEDICAID POLICY MANUAL | | | |
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REQUIREMENTS

Qualified Disabled Working Individuals (QDWI) is a class of assistance (COA) that provides payment of the monthly Part A Medicare premium for disabled working individuals.

BASIC CONSIDERATIONS

To be eligible for QDWI coverage, an A/R must meet the following conditions:

- The A/R is under the age of 65.
- The A/R is entitled to but not receiving RSDI disability benefits because s/he has earnings that exceed the substantial gainful activity (SGA) limits.
- The A/R is eligible for Part A Medicare coverage with a monthly premium.
- The A/R meets all basic and financial eligibility criteria.

NOTE: Length of Stay (LOS), Level of Care (LOC) and TPR assignment are **not** requirements of this COA.

In-kind support and maintenance (ISM) is **not** considered in determining QDWI eligibility.

The only coverage this COA provides is payment of the monthly Part A Medicare premium by Medicaid. No other medical expenses incurred by the QDWI recipient are paid by Medicaid.

A Medicaid card is not issued to QDWI recipients and Form 962 is not issued to the recipient or providers.

QDWI eligibility cannot begin prior to the A/R's eligibility for Part A Medicare.

PROCEDURES

Follow the steps below to determine QDWI eligibility.

Step 1 Accept the A/R's Medicaid application.

Step 2 Obtain information required to complete the eligibility determination.

PROCEDURES (cont.)

- Step 3** Determine that the A/R is ineligible for full Medicaid coverage under all other COAs.
- Step 4** Obtain the following verification from the Social Security Administration:
- The termination of the A/R's RSDI disability payment due to excessive earned income.
 - The A/R's eligibility for Part A Medicare coverage with a monthly premium.
- Step 5** Determine all basic eligibility criteria except LOS, LOC and TPR. Refer to Chapter 2200, Basic Eligibility Criteria.
- Step 6** Determine financial eligibility using the current QDWI income and resource limits. Refer to Chapter 2500, ABD Financial Responsibility and Budgeting to determine the following:
- whose income and resources to consider
 - which SSI income and resource limit (individual or couple) to use
 - which eligibility budget to complete.
- Step 7** Approve under QDWI COA if the A/R meets all the above eligibility criteria, including retroactive months if needed.