

	<b>GEORGIA DIVISION OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES MEDICAID POLICY MANUAL</b>			
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	<b>Policy Title:</b>	<b>Victims' Compensation</b>		
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## REQUIREMENTS

Unspent portions of Victims' Compensation are excluded as resources for nine full calendar months after the month of receipt.

This is an excluded resource for Family Medicaid.

## BASIC CONSIDERATIONS

Victims' Compensation (VC) is payments from a fund established by a state for expenses incurred or losses suffered as a result of a crime.

Interest earned on unspent VC is *not* excluded from income or resources.

## PROCEDURES

If an individual alleges that his or her resources include unspent VC, ask the individual to submit evidence that establishes the following:

- the source, date(s), and amount(s) of VC payments(s)
- the VC was paid as compensation for expenses incurred or losses suffered as the result of a crime.

Obtain a statement as to the date(s) and amount(s) of any account deposits corresponding to the VC payment(s). Assist the individual as necessary.

Accept the following as evidence establishing that the payment was a VC payment:

- a letter or check stub from the payment indicating the payment is VC
- a subsequent letter requested by the claimant/recipient to clarify that the reason for the payment is VC.
- Any other document indicating the reason for the payments as VC.

If the individual is unable to submit acceptable evidence, attempt to obtain the needed information over the phone through a contact with the agency that issued the VC.