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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Bradley Green, Medicaid Policy Unit Manager  
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**FROM:** Anika Washington, Eligibility Policy Manager *AW for AW*  
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**RE:** 2021 Supplemental Security Income Standards  
2021 Long-Term Care Medicaid Coverage Groups  
2021 Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA) Limit  
2021 Medicare Premiums and Coinsurance Rates

**DATE:** November 13, 2020

**Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Standards**

Effective January 1, 2021, the cost-of-living adjustments for the monthly Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Federal Benefit Rate (FBR) will increase 1.3 percent. There are no changes in the SSI resource limits.

1. The FBR for an individual is \$794 and \$1,191 for a couple.
2. The FBR for an individual living in the household of another is \$529.34 and \$794 for a couple (LA-B).
3. The PNA is \$70.00
4. The living allowance for each ineligible child is \$397
5. The value of the one-third Reduction Factor (VTR) is \$264.66 for an individual and \$397 for a couple.
6. The presumed maximum value (PMV) of in-kind support and maintenance (ISM) is \$284.66 for an individual and \$417 for a couple.

**Long-Term Care Medicaid Coverage Groups:**

<u>Family Size</u>	<u>Income Limit</u>
Individual	\$2382
Couple	\$4764

**Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA) Limit**

\$1,310 (Non-Blind)      \$2,190 (Blind)

**Medicare Premiums and Coinsurance Rates**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) updates the premiums, deductibles, and co-payments made by Medicare beneficiaries each year. The following amounts are effective January 1, 2021:



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**Medicare Premiums and Deductibles for 2021**

Part A Premium: Up to \$471.00  
Part A deductible: \$1484.00 per benefit period  
Part A skilled NF coinsurance \$185.50 for days 21 through 100

Part B standard premium: \$148.50 (or higher depending on income)\*  
Part B deductible: \$203.00 per year

\*Most people who get Social Security benefits will pay less than this amount (\$148.50 on average).

Please and issue a numbered bulletin to expedite dissemination of this information to field staff and update Georgia Gateway and all applicable sections of the Office of Family Independence Medicaid Policy and Procedure manual to reflect this clarification. If you have any questions or need additional information, contact Anika Washington at 404-657-7262 or [awashington1@dch.ga.gov](mailto:awashington1@dch.ga.gov) or Donna Johnson at 404-651-9972 or [djohnson@dch.ga.gov](mailto:djohnson@dch.ga.gov).

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