

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
STATE: GEORGIA

ELIGIBILITY UNDER SECTION 1931 OF THE ACT

The State covers low-income families and children under Section 1931 of the Social Security Act.

The following groups were included in the AFDC State plan effective July 16, 1996.

- Pregnant women with no other eligible children.

- AFDC children age 18 who are full-time students in a secondary school or in the equivalent level of vocational or technical training.

- In determining eligibility for Medicaid, the Agency uses the AFDC standards and methodologies in effect as of July 16, 1996 without modification.

- In determining eligibility for Medicaid, the Agency uses the AFDC standards and methodologies in effect as of July 16, 1996 with the following modifications:

- The Agency uses less restrictive income and/or resource methodologies than those in effect as of July 16, 1996, as follows:
 - \$4,650 exemption for one motor vehicle.
 - Disregard the value of life insurance policies.
 - Disregard the earnings of a child in school full or part-time,
 - Disregard earnings from employment with the Census Bureau.

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The income and/or resource methodologies that the less restrictive methodologies replace are as follows:

- Deduct \$1,500 from the equity value of one vehicle.
- The cash surrender value of life insurance policies is considered as a resource.
- Earned income of a child who meets the in school test is excluded from the budgeting process for six (6) months of the calendar year. For the other six (6) months, the income is counted toward the gross income ceiling test.
- Income received from employment with the Census Bureau is considered as earned income

X The Agency continues to apply the following waivers of provisions of Part A of Title IV in effect as of July 16, 1996, or submitted prior to August 22, 1996 and approved by the Secretary on or before July 1, 1997.

- Drop any prior workforce requirements and eliminate the 100-hour rule (i.e., drop the requirement that the principal wage earner in an intact family be employed less than 100 hours per month).

___ The Agency applies lower income standards which are no lower than the AFDC standards in effect on May 1, 1998, as follows:

___ The Agency applies higher income standards than those in effect as of July 16, 1996, increased by no more than the percentage increases in the CPI-U since July 16, 1996, as follows:

___ The Agency terminates medical assistance (except for certain pregnant women and children) for individuals who fail to meet TANF work requirements.

___ The Agency provides Medicaid for up to twelve (12) months to working families who become ineligible for Low Income Medicaid because of new or increased earnings of a caretaker or other adult or the expiration of the 1/3 or \$30.00 or loss of the earned income deduction.

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