

Special Needs Assisted Living Residence Program for Persons with Dementia Eligibility Criteria

Applications will be reviewed in the order in which they are received and evaluated on the following eligibility criteria:

1. **Diagnosis Information:**
Residents must indicate on their application form that they have a diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease and/or dementia.

2. **Residency Requirement:**
Applicants must have resided at their current facility for a period of no less than 12 months and must currently reside in a Special Needs Assisted Living Residence. The facility must have opted in to participate in the SNALR Voucher program.

3. **Income Standard:**
Applicants must demonstrate on their application they have a household income that is equal to or less than the median household income in the region in which they reside. This information, included below, is based on census data.¹ The median monthly income standard by region² is the following:

Household Income Standards	
Regions and Counties	Household Income Standard
Capital District: Albany, Columbia, Delaware, Fulton, Greene, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady and Schoharie	\$4,624
Central New York: Broome, Cayuga, Cortland, Chenango, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, Otsego, Tioga, Tompkins, and St. Lawrence	\$4,260
Finger Lakes: Chemung, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, and Yates	\$4,254
Hudson Valley: Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan, Ulster, and Westchester	\$6,274
Long Island: Nassau and Suffolk	\$8,008
New York City: Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, and Richmond	\$7,382
Northeastern New York: Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, Warren, and Washington	\$4,374
Western New York: Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, and Wyoming	\$4,051

¹ United States Census Bureau.

² For this demonstration program, the New York City Region will have an income standard that is 150% of the median monthly income of the region.

4. **Resources or Assets:**

A resident's resources or assets must be less than or equal to six (6) months of the average regional monthly cost of a SNALR for the region in which they reside. Please see the chart below.

5. **Transfer of Assets/Resources:**

The resident cannot have transferred resources or assets valued at more than three (3) months of the average regional monthly cost of a SNALR for the region in which they reside within one year prior to submitting an application. Please see the chart below.

Average Regional Monthly SNALR Costs	
Regions and Counties	Average Regional Monthly Costs for SNALRs
Capital District: Albany, Columbia, Delaware, Fulton, Greene, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady and Schoharie	\$7,118
Central New York: Broome, Cayuga, Cortland, Chenango, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, Otsego, Tioga, Tompkins, and St. Lawrence	\$5,939
Finger Lakes: Chemung, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, and Yates	\$6,079
Hudson Valley: Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan, Ulster, and Westchester	\$9,993
Long Island: Nassau and Suffolk	\$9,089
New York City: Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, and Richmond	\$10,602
Northeastern New York: Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, Warren, and Washington	\$5,800
Western New York: Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, and Wyoming	\$6,401

6. **Medicaid**

Applicants must not be on Medicaid or Medicaid-eligible.

Definitions

Household: Includes applicant and spouse, if applicable.

Income: Includes resident's wages, if any, and any social security benefits, capital gains, windfalls, and/or distributions from pensions, trusts, IRAs, or any other annuity.

Resources or Assets: Includes the value of the household, including any investment properties, vehicles, and/or life insurance policies, as well as cash-on-hand (such as a savings or checking account) or items that can be readily converted to cash, such as financial institution accounts, stocks, bonds, mutual fund shares, and promissory notes.