

## INCOME

### SSI-RELATED DISREGARDS

**Description:** Disregards of income are not considered in whole or in part in determining eligibility for Medicaid.

**Policy:** The following types of income are disregarded in the determination of income for Medicaid: (See **REFERENCE INCOME DISREGARDS** for chart)

*AMERICORPS* - Child care allowances and other benefits and services including payments for living expenses provided by Americorps VISTA;

Child care allowances and all other benefits and services except payments for living expenses, provided by Americorps USA and Americorps NCCC;

*ASSISTANCE BASED ON NEED* - Any regular cash assistance payments based on need received by the A/R and furnished as supplemental income by the federal government, a State or political subdivision;

Support and maintenance assistance based on need and furnished either in-kind by a private non-profit agency or in cash or in-kind by one of the following: a supplier of home heating oil or gas, an entity whose revenues are primarily derived on a rate-of-return basis regulated by a State or Federal governmental entity or a municipal utility providing home energy;

Money paid by a third party directly to a vendor except for food, clothing and shelter;

*BLOOD PLASMA SETTLEMENTS* - Payments received as a result of a federal class action settlement with four manufacturers of blood plasma products on behalf of hemophilia patients who are infected with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV);

*BOARDER OR ROOMER (LODGER) INCOME* - The first \$90 per month of any income from each boarder or roomer (lodger). If the A/R can document that the actual expenses incurred in providing the room or room and board exceeds the \$90 per month, actual documented expenses are disregarded;