

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
Department of Health Services  
Department of Children and Families

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June 26, 2009  
Re: SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT -  
2009 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

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To: Area Administrators/Human Service Area Coordinators  
Bureau Directors  
County Departments of Human Services Directors  
County Departments of Social Services Directors  
Section Chiefs/Licensing Chiefs  
County Departments of Community Programs Directors  
County Departments of Developmental Disabilities Services Directors  
Tribal Chairpersons/Human Services Facilitators

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This memo states the eligibility categories and standards for the 2009 Social Services Block Grant.

The eligibility categories are:

1. Recipients of Medical Assistance.
2. Individuals with income at 75 percent or below the state's median income. The income eligibility standard for all Social Services Block Grant services has been revised (Attachment A) to reflect the estimated 2009 median income for Wisconsin as published in the Federal Register.
3. For child care services, families whose gross income is equal to or less than 165 percent of poverty. Families continue to be eligible up to 200 percent of poverty after initial eligibility at 165 percent of poverty. They must also meet the W-2 asset standard and cooperate with child support determination.

To determine child care eligibility for foster and court-ordered kinship care, the income and asset amounts of the children's natural parent(s) must be determined. Natural parents are defined as the biological or adoptive parents of the children. The natural parent(s) must meet the \$2,500 asset limit, the \$10,000 vehicle exemption, and must have income at or below 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Limit (FPL).

4. Counties shall continue to provide services funded by the Social Service Block Grant to "qualified aliens," as defined by Section 402(b) of the "Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act."

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Document Summary

This document provides information on the 2009 Social Services Block Grant.

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ACTION SUMMARY STATEMENT:

- (1) County Departments of Social/Human Services must establish the following written policies:
  - a. a list of social services which will be provided by the department;
  - b. where people will be referred for Supportive Home Care, Family Planning and Specialized Transportation services, and how the counties will ensure that cost is not a barrier to receipt of these services;
  - c. eligibility for services (including assets and targeting, if such eligibility policies are used);
  - d. a schedule of fees to be charged for social services; and,
  - e. procedures to follow if a client wishes to request a fair hearing.

These policies must be kept on file and made available to the public.

- (2) Counties will be required to report on services provided and actual expenditures on the Human Services Reporting System (HSRS), DMT-600 and CFS-942 (total expenses) and the Human Services Revenue Report.

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Attachments  
[Attachment A](#)  
[Attachment B](#)