

# Children's Special Health Care Services Administrative Policy Manual

## Eligibility – Financial Eligibility Policy # B-2



Title: Director,  
Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS)

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**Title: Financial Eligibility**

**Purposes:** To ensure that the CSHCS program fairly & consistently assesses applicants, re-applicants and participants undergoing re-evaluation of eligibility, for financial eligibility as defined in the Rules for the CSHCS program:

**Rule References:**

- 410 IAC 3.2-1-18 – “Household” defined
- 410 IAC 3.2-1-24 – “Poverty income guidelines” defined
- 410 IAC 3.2-1-28 – “Processing an application” defined
- 410 IAC 3.2-2-4 – Application process and enrollment in the Medicaid program
- 410 IAC 3.2-2-5 – State department of health responsibilities in the application process
- 410 IAC 3.2-5-2 – Family responsibility to disclose information
- 410 IAC 3.2-6-1 – Financial eligibility
- 410 IAC 3.2-6-1(e) – For purposes of determining financial eligibility, income includes ...
- 410 IAC 3.2-6-1(f) – For purposes of determining financial eligibility, the following shall not be considered income: ...

**Policy:** To determine an applicant's/participant's Financial Eligibility to participate in the CSHCS program based upon current information concerning the income of the household of which the applicant/participant is a member assessed against the Income Guidelines to be considered for eligibility in the CSHCS program.

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Participant who have been continuously enrolled in the CSHCS program Since May 12, 1993 are exempt from being terminated from the program Because of not being Financially Eligible.

## Income Guidelines:

- The poverty income guidelines are published annually in the Federal Register.
- If the applicant's/participant's household income is equal to or less than one hundred eighty-five percent (185%) of the poverty income guideline they are Financially Eligible.
- If funds are available in addition to those required to provide services to enrolled participants eligible in 2 above, CSHCS may use an income limit of two hundred fifty percent (250%) of the poverty income guideline, instead of the one hundred eighty-five percent (185%) income limit, enabling more people to enjoy the benefits of the program.
- The Income Guidelines for the CSHCS program shall be published annually in the Indiana Register.
- The Income Guidelines for the CSHCS program are published annually in table form for both annual & monthly income amounts by household size and posted on the CSHCS website <http://www.in.gov/isdh/19613.htm>