



**Important Information about Medicaid/HUSKY/Title XIX
Updated June 2013**

While not a requirement, it is advisable that an application for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) from the Social Security Administration be made prior to application for Medicaid (Title 19) from the Department of Social Services. Applying for SSI serves to document the disability for Medicaid (Title 19) and thus expedites the process. For information on how to apply for SSI, please call the Social Security Administration's main line at

1-800-772-1213, or contact your local Social Security office located nearest to you. If you have access to a computer and the internet, you can visit the SSA Website at: <http://www.ssa.gov/d&s1.htm> for information on how to complete and application.

Social Security Administration's Local Offices Contact Information

475 Main St. Ansonia, CT. 06401	3885 Main St., 3rd Floor Bridgeport, CT. 06606	225 North Main Street, Room 400 Bristol, CT. 06010
131 West St. Danbury, CT 06810	478 Burnside Ave. East Hartford, CT 06108	960 Main St. 2nd Floor Hartford, CT 06103
1 West Main St, Fourth Floor Meriden, CT. 06451	425 Main St, Third Floor Middletown, CT 06457	233 Main St., 2nd Fl New Britain, CT 06051
Gaiimo Federal Bldg., Suite 415 150 Court St. New Haven, CT 06510	2 Shaws Cove, Room 101 New London, CT 06320	Thames Plaza 101 Water St Norwich, CT 06360
Two Landmark Square, Suite 105 Stamford, CT 06901	147 Litchfield St. Torrington, CT 06790	51 North Elm Street Suite 1 Waterbury, CT. 06702
1320 Main St. Suite 19 Willimantic, CT. 06226		

How does a person enroll in the HCBS Waiver?

In order to be able to enroll for Waiver services, individuals need to meet the following criteria:

- ✓ The applicant is eligible for DDS services under state law;
- ✓ The applicant has Title 19 (Medicaid), or is considered to be eligible for Medicaid.
- ✓ The applicant must need an ICF/MR level of care. That is, the person must have a level of need which would allow them to enter and institutional setting.
- ✓ The applicant must say they want to live in a community setting.
- ✓ The applicant must demonstrate a need for one or more of the services provided by the HCBS waiver.
- ✓ The applicant must to be deemed disabled by either SSA or DSS (W-300 & W-303 Med Packet) in order to be eligible for HUSKY C”.
- ✓ The applicant’s income and assets must be within the limits specified for the waiver. That is assets less than \$1,600 and income and entitlements less than three times their SSI payment. Note: if a family believes that their son or daughter is ineligible due to assets, staff from the department’s Division of Legal and Government Affairs are available to review the particular financial circumstances and advise the family. It is only assets of the individual (over the age of 18), which are considered, not those of the family. (If assistance is needed from the Division of Legal and Governmental Affairs, please call 860-418-6085.)

If an Applicant Doesn't Have Medicaid/Husky/Title 19, how can they apply?

ConneCT with DSS Today

Am I eligible? <https://connect.ct.gov/access/>

My Account-<https://connect.ct.gov/access/>

I need an application- <http://www.ct.gov/dss/cwp/view.asp?a=2352&Q=491862>

To be eligible for Medicaid, you must be a pregnant woman, a child, a member of a low-income family, or must be aged, blind or disabled.

You apply for Title 19 (Medicaid) in the state in which you live. Call or visit the nearest Department of Social Service office for an application if you don't have access to a computer.

Mailing or Faxing Documents to DSS

DSS Connect Scanning Center

PO Box 1320

Manchester, CT 06045-9968

Fax Number: (860)812-0022- must use DSS Fax Cover Sheet (see last page)



Links to Important DSS Information:

Basic Eligibility http://www.ct.gov/dss/lib/dss/pdfs/state_supplement.pdf

Medicaid for the Elderly, Blind and Disabled: <http://www.ct.gov/dss/lib/dss/pdfs/basicmaabd.pdf>

Medicaid for Employed Disabled - Med-Connect: <http://www.ct.gov/dss/cwp/view.asp?a=2353&q=305220>

How do I qualify for Medicaid/ Husky/Title 19?

(To qualify, you must meet Medicaid income and asset limits.

Income limits vary, depending on the size of your family, and where you live.)

The asset limits are:

Single Person: \$1,600

Married Person: \$ 2,400

***Special Note: There are special eligibility criteria for persons needing long term care.

Income Limits

(Net Income after deductions)

Monthly Amount

Monthly Amount

(Region A)

(Regions B+C)

(see last page for regional town breakdown)

Single Person \$610.61

\$506.22

Married Couple \$777.92

\$672.10

Institutional Individuals:

Single Person \$ 2130.00

Assets:

You must tell us about all assets, either owned solely by you or owned jointly with someone else. Assets include, but are not limited to, bank accounts, certificates of deposit, stocks and bonds, cash surrender value of life insurance policies, and non-home property. Your home is not counted as an asset while you own and live in it as your primary residence.

Non-Financial Requirements:

An Individual must be:

A U.S. citizen

or

An eligible non-citizen (documented/green card)

And a resident of Connecticut

Note: An individual must cooperate with

the Department of Social Services

in establishing eligibility and meet

other non-financial eligibility

requirements, such as providing a

Social Security number.

Income Deductions:

Ⓢ Non-Home property:

Non-home property is excluded for as long as the Individual is making a bona fide effort to sell the property.

Ⓢ Life Insurance:

The cash surrender value of life insurance is excluded if the face value of all such policies is less than \$1,500. If the face value exceeds the \$1,500 limit, the cash surrender value of the policy is counted toward the asset limit. Term insurance is not counted.

Ⓢ Motor Vehicles:

A motor vehicle is excluded if it is needed for employment or the treatment of a specific medical condition.

- ✓ If one spouse is institutionalized, one motor vehicle is excluded.
- ✓ If no motor vehicle is totally excluded, up to \$4,500 of the fair market value of one motor vehicle is excluded.

Ⓢ Burial Funds:

- ✓ Up to \$1,800 of a burial fund is excluded, or \$1,500 if one spouse is institutionalized.
- ✓ Up to \$5,400 of an irrevocable burial fund is excluded.
- ✓ Currently a burial plot which is a grave site, opening and closing of a grave site, cremation urn, casket, outer burial container and a headstone or marker, including a contract for the aforementioned items. A gravesite may include a crypt or mausoleum. Is excluded.

Note: (contact D.S.S. for additional information on which assets are excluded)

Ⓢ Unearned Income:

- Community: \$314.00
- Sharing with non-relative: \$381.90
- Licensed Boarding Home: \$ 221.70

Ⓢ Earned Income:

In general, the first \$65.00, and ½ of what remains is deducted from earnings.

Spend-Down

Individuals who have too much income can still get Medicaid by deducting medical bills from their excess income. This process is called a spend-down. (SEE LAST PAGE FOR CURRENT INFO)

Transfer of Asset Penalties:

- Ⓢ These apply only to individuals who receive long-term care. Individuals residing in the community may transfer assets without penalty, unless they receive home and community based services.
- Ⓢ A penalty may result if an asset is transferred within 36 months of the date the individual enters a nursing home for less than the fair market value of the asset. If the transferred asset was a trust, the Department will look back at the transfer as far 60 months.

Co-Payments:

Only people who are institutionalized are required to pay a co-payment for services.

Department of Social Service Regional Agency Contact Information

Please contact the DSS office in the town or city which correlates with where you currently reside

Regional Office Information

For information on accessing Department of Social Services programs in your area, please follow the links below to your regional office.

[NORTHERN REGION](#) this is a link

Serving the towns of:

Andover, Avon, Ashford, Berlin, Bloomfield, Bolton, Bristol, Brooklyn, Burlington, Canterbury, Canton, Chaplin, Columbia, Coventry, Eastford, East Granby, East Hartford, East Windsor, Ellington, Enfield, Farmington, Glastonbury, Granby, Hampton, Hartford, Hebron, Killingly, Manchester, Mansfield, Marlborough, New Britain, Newington, Plainfield, Plainville, Plymouth, Pomfret, Putnam, Rocky Hill, Scotland, Simsbury, Somers, Southington, South Windsor, Stafford, Sterling, Suffield, Thompson, Tolland, West Hartford, Union, Vernon, Wethersfield, Willington, Windham, Windsor, Windsor Locks and Woodstock.

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[SOUTHERN REGION](#) this is a link

Serving the towns of:

Ansonia, Bethany, Branford, Bozrah, Chester, Clinton, Colchester, Cromwell, Deep River, Derby, Durham, East Haddam, East Hampton, East Haven, East Lyme, Essex, Franklin, Griswold, Groton, Guilford, Haddam, Hamden, Killingworth, Lebanon, Ledyard, Lisbon, Lyme, Madison, Meriden, Middlefield, Middletown, Milford, Montville, New Haven, New London, North Branford, North Haven, North Stonington, Norwich, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook, Orange, Portland, Preston, Salem, Seymour, Shelton, Sprague, Stonington, Voluntown, Wallingford, Waterford, Westbrook, West Haven and Woodbridge

[WESTERN REGION](#) this is a link

Serving the towns of:

Barkhamsted, Beacon Falls, Bethel, Bethlehem, Bridgeport, Bridgewater, Brookfield, Canaan, Cheshire, Colebrook, Cornwall, Danbury, Easton, Fairfield, Goshen, Hartland, Harwinton, Kent, Litchfield, Middlebury, Monroe, Morris, Naugatuck, New Fairfield, New Hartford, New Milford, Newtown, Norfolk, Norwalk, North Canaan, Oxford, Prospect, Redding, Ridgefield, Roxbury, Salisbury, Sharon, Sherman, Southbury, Stratford, Thomaston, Torrington, Trumbull, Warren, Washington, Waterbury, Watertown, Weston, Westport, Winchester, Wolcott and Woodbury.

For general information, please contact the DSS Central Office

25 Sigourney Street, Hartford, CT 06106
Information and Referral: 1-800-842-1508
Toll free TDD/TTY line: 1-800-842-4524



REMINDER

Special Note:

If you have access to a computer and are able to access the internet, please visit

<http://www.ct.gov/dss/cwp/view.asp?a=2352&Q=491862>

to print off an application.

Please follow the steps below to locate the appropriate form:

1. Click on the [Applications](#) link.
2. Print out the application form W-1F.
3. Fill out the application form.
4. Make a copy for your records
5. Mail or FAX in the application and the required documentation to

DSS Connect Scanning Center

PO Box 1320

Manchester, CT 06045-9968

Fax Number: (860)812-0022- must use DSS Fax Cover Sheet (see next page)

State of Connecticut
Department of Social Services

FastLink
cover sheet

Please fill out the information below so we can complete your request faster:

Client ID: 00 _____
First Name: _____
Last Name: _____
Date: ___/___/___
Number of pages (including this cover sheet): _____

Fax to this cover sheet and verification documents to (860) 812 - 0022

OR

Mail to:
DSS ConneCT Scanning Center
PO Box 1320
Manchester, CT 06045-1320

As of 9/20/12, clients should call the HUSKY Spend-down Processing Center with questions regarding spend-downs (amounts, if an expense is acceptable, whether expenses were received/applied, etc.). As of 9/24/12, medical expenses submitted for spend-downs should be sent directly by clients, authorized representatives or providers to the HUSKY Spend-down Processing Center via mail or fax. Expenses should be submitted to:

**HUSKY Spend-down Processing Center
PO Box 280747
East Hartford, CT 06128-0747**

Fax: 1-888-495-2897

Phone: 1-877-858-7012

If DSS is sending by courier:
Xerox – Husky Processing Center
77 Hartland St.
East Hartford, CT