

State of Hawaii
Department of Human Services
MED-QUEST DIVISION

MEDICAID STATE PLAN

SPA MEMO NO.: 25-13

DATE: 12/09/25

ORIGINATOR: POLICY AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

TO: Custodian of Med-QUEST Division Medicaid State Plan

FROM: Judy Mohr Peterson, PhD 
Med-QUEST Division Administrator

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT UNDER THE MEDICAID STATE PLAN

EXPLANATION:

On 05/14/25, Hawaii Governor Dr. Josh Green signed ACT 045 into law. The new law increases the domiciliary care rates for certain providers and clarifies that the needs allowance and domiciliary care rates are included in the state supplemental payment ceiling amounts, effective 10/01/25.

The “Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries Reviewable Unit” in the Hawaii Medicaid State Plan has been updated to include the following state supplemental payment amounts in alignment with the new law:

For individuals living in Domiciliary Care Homes Type I, State Supplement for Individual increased from \$784 to \$829.

For individuals living in Domiciliary Care Homes Type II, State Supplement for Individual Increased from \$892 to \$937.

FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Review and file the new Medicaid State Plan page in your Medicaid State Plan Manual as follows:

Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries Reviewable Unit

Remove OLD Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries Reviewable Unit.

Replace with amended Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries Reviewable Unit.

The Med-QUEST Division amendment described above has been incorporated into the electronic version of the Medicaid State Plan located at the Department of Human Services website link for public transparency below:

<http://humanservices.hawaii.gov/reports/hawaii-medicaid-state-plan/>

Attachments

C: Attorney General's Office
Audit, Quality Control & Research Office/Quality Control Staff
Clinical Standards Office
Department of Health/Child & Adolescent Mental Health Division
Department of Health/State Planning Council Developmental Disabilities
Department of Health/Developmental Disabilities Division
Department of Human Services /Adult Protective and Community Services Branch
Department of Human Services/Policy and Program Development Office
Eligibility System Project (KOLEA)
Finance Office
Hawaii Document Center/HI State Library
Hawaii Legislative Reference Bureau Library
Health Care Services Branch
Legal Aid Society of Hawaii

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State Information

State/Territory Name: Hawaii

Medicaid Agency Name: Med-QUEST Division (MQD)

Submission Component

- ☒ State Plan Amendment
- ☒ Medicaid
- ☐ CHIP

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Reviewable Unit	Proposed Effective Date	Superseded SPA ID
Optional Eligibility Groups	10/1/2025	HI-25-0001
Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries	10/1/2025	HI-25-0001

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Executive Summary

Summary Description Including Goals and Objectives On May 14, 2025, Hawaii Governor Dr. Josh Green signed ACT 045 into law increasing the State Supplemental Payment (SSP) by \$45.00 for both Type I and Type II domiciliary care homes effective October 1, 2025.

Federal Budget Impact and Statute/Regulation Citation

Federal Budget Impact

	Federal Fiscal Year	Amount
First	2025	\$0
Second	2026	\$0

Federal Statute / Regulation Citation

ACT 045
42 C.F.R. 435.234
42 C.F.R. 435.1006

Supporting documentation of budget impact is uploaded (optional).

Name	Date Created	
SPA 25-0013 CMS 179 - signed	9/26/2025 4:36 PM EDT	
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Re_ Tribal Consultation Requirements under CMS- Follow up to Ke Ola Mamo_Papa Ola Lokahi contract with Indian Health Servicesje06.03.25	9/26/2025 4:44 PM EDT	
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Governor's Office Review

- ☐ No comment
- ☐ Comments received
- ☐ No response within 45 days
- ☒ Other

Describe Hawaii allows for Medicaid Director to review and authorize under current Governor.

Submission - Medicaid State Plan

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The submission includes the following:

☐ Administration

☒ Eligibility

☐ Income/Resource Methodologies

☐ Income/Resource Standards

☐ Mandatory Eligibility Groups

☒ Optional Eligibility Groups

Reviewable Unit Name	Included in Another Submission Source Type Package
Optional Eligibility Groups	 APPROVED

☐ Non-Financial Eligibility

☐ Eligibility and Enrollment Processes

☐ Benefits and Payments

Submission - Public Comment

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Indicate whether public comment was solicited with respect to this submission.

- ☒ Public notice was not federally required and comment was not solicited
- ☐ Public notice was not federally required, but comment was solicited
- ☐ Public notice was federally required and comment was solicited

Submission - Tribal Input

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One or more Indian Health Programs or Urban Indian Organizations furnish health care services in this state

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

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A. Options for Coverage

The state provides Medicaid to specified optional groups of individuals.

☒ Yes ☐ No

The optional eligibility groups covered in the state plan are (elections made in this screen may not be comprehensive during the transition period from the paper-based state plan to MACPro):

Families and Adults

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type ?
Optional Coverage of Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives		☒	☐	☐	CONVERTED
Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21		☒	☐	☐	NEW
Children with Non-IV-E Adoption Assistance		☒	☐	☐	CONVERTED
Independent Foster Care Adolescents		☐	☐	☐	NEW
Optional Targeted Low Income Children		☒	☐	☐	CONVERTED
Individuals above 133% FPL under Age 65		☐	☐	☒	NEW
Individuals Needing Treatment for Breast or Cervical Cancer		☒	☐	☐	NEW
Individuals Eligible for Family Planning Services		☐	☐	☐	NEW
Individuals with Tuberculosis		☐	☐	☐	NEW
Individuals Electing COBRA Continuation Coverage		☐	☐	☐	NEW

Aged, Blind and Disabled

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type ?
Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance		☒	☐	☐	NEW

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package 	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 
Individuals Eligible for Cash Except for Institutionalization		☒	☐	☐	NEW
Individuals Receiving Home and Community-Based Waiver Services under Institutional Rules		☒	☐	☐	NEW
Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries		☒	☒	☐	APPROVED
Individuals in Institutions Eligible under a Special Income Level		☐	☐	☐	NEW
PACE Participants		☐	☐	☐	NEW
Individuals Receiving Hospice		☒	☐	☐	NEW
Children under Age 19 with a Disability		☐	☐	☐	NEW
Age and Disability-Related Poverty Level		☒	☐	☐	NEW
Work Incentives		☐	☐	☐	NEW
Ticket to Work Basic		☒	☐	☒	APPROVED
Ticket to Work Medical Improvements		☐	☐	☐	NEW
Family Opportunity Act Children with a Disability		☐	☐	☐	NEW
Individuals Receiving State Plan Home and Community-Based Services		☐	☐	☐	NEW
Individuals Receiving State Plan Home and Community-Based Services Who Are Otherwise Eligible for HCBS Waivers		☐	☐	☐	NEW

Optional Eligibility Groups

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B. Medically Needy Options for Coverage

The state provides Medicaid to specified groups of individuals who are medically needy.

☒ Yes ☐ No

The medically needy eligibility groups covered in the state plan are:

1. Mandatory Medically Needy:

Families and Adults

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type ?
Medically Needy Pregnant Women		☒	☐	☐	NEW
Medically Needy Children under Age 18		☒	☐	☐	NEW

Aged, Blind and Disabled

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type ?
Protected Medically Needy Individuals Who Were Eligible in 1973		☒	☐	☐	NEW

2. Optional Medically Needy:

Families and Adults

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type ?
Medically Needy Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21		☒ ☐	☐	☐	NEW
Medically Needy Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives		☐	☐	☐	NEW

Aged, Blind and Disabled

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type ?
Medically Needy Populations Based on Age, Blindness or Disability		☒	☐	☐	NEW

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C. Additional Information (optional)

Eligibility Groups Deselected from Coverage

The following eligibility groups were previously covered in the source approved version of the state plan and deselected from coverage as part of this submission package:

- N/A

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Eligibility Groups - Options for Coverage

Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries

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Individuals who receive an optional state supplementary payment.

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The state covers the Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

A. Characteristics

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

1. Receive an optional state supplement that meets the conditions described in sections C and D.
2. Except for income, would be eligible for:

☐ a. SSI

☒ b. The mandatory eligibility group for 209(b) states
3. Do not have gross income exceeding 300% of the SSI Federal Benefit Rate (FBR).

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B. Individuals Covered

1. The state covers all individuals who meet the characteristics described in section A.

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

2. The state covers the following classifications:

- ☐ a. All individuals age 65 or older.
- ☐ b. All individuals who have blindness.
- ☐ c. All individuals who have a disability.
- ☒ d. Individuals in domiciliary facilities or other group living arrangements who are age 65 or older.
- ☒ e. Individuals in domiciliary facilities or other group living arrangements who have blindness.
- ☒ f. Individuals in domiciliary facilities or other group living arrangements who have a disability.
- ☐ g. Individuals receiving a federally-administered optional state supplement that meets the conditions specified in sections C. and D.
- ☐ h. Individuals in additional classifications specified by the Secretary.
- ☐ i. Reasonable groups of individuals receiving a state-administered optional state supplement that meets the conditions specified in sections C. and D.

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C. Optional State Supplement Program

1. The optional state supplement program is administered:
- ☒

a. Solely by the federal government. The state has an agreement with the Social Security Administration under section 1616 of the Act regarding the administration of optional state supplementary payments.
- ☐

b. By a combination of federal and state administration. The state has an agreement with the Social Security Administration under section 1616 of the Act regarding the administration of optional state supplementary payments for some classifications of individuals, while state supplementary payments for other classifications of individuals are administered by the state.
- ☐

c. Solely by the state.
2. Payments under the optional state supplement program are:
- a. Based on need and paid in cash on a regular basis;

b. Equal to the difference between the individual's countable income and the income standard used to determine eligibility for supplement; and

c. Available to all individuals in each population selected in section B.

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D. Income Standard of Optional State Supplement Program

1. The income standard for the optional state supplement:

- a. Varies by political subdivision.

☐ Yes

☒ No
- b. Varies by payment classification.

☒ Yes

☐ No

The payment classifications used are:

- ☐ i. All individuals age 65 or older, regardless of living arrangement.
- ☐ ii. All individuals who have blindness, regardless of living arrangement.
- ☐ iii. All individuals who have a disability, regardless of living arrangement.
- ☐ iv. Independent living.
- ☐ v. Living in household of another.
- ☐ vi. Independent living and receiving non-medical care outside the home.
- ☐ vii. Living in household of another and receiving non-medical care outside the home.
- ☒ viii. Living in a domiciliary facility or other group living arrangement.

Income Standard

Individual	Couple
\$1796.00	\$1796.00

- ☒ x. Other payment classification.

Name of Classification	Description:
DOMICILIARY CARE LEVEL I:	Maximum of five (5) residents A residential facility that provides twenty-four hour living accommodations including care and services for up to five residents. The care and services for Domiciliary Care Level I are the same Domiciliary Care level II.
Individual	Couple
\$1796.00	\$1796.00
Name of Classification	Description:
DOMICILIARY CARE LEVEL II:	Six (6) or more residents A residential facility that provides twenty-four hour living accommodations,

including care and services, for 6 or more residents. The care and services for Domiciliary Care Level II are the same Domiciliary Care level I.

Individual
\$1904.00

Couple
\$1904.00

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E. Additional Information (optional)

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