## 1619(b) Fact Sheet

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## **Continued Medicaid Eligibility- Section 1619(b)**

This provision continues Medicaid coverage for most working SSI beneficiaries even after earnings become too high to allow a cash benefit. To qualify for this incentive the person must:

- Have been eligible for SSI cash payment for a least one month.
- Still meet the SSA disability requirement.
- Meet the Medicaid "needs" test.
- Have GROSS annual earned income less than the current state "threshold amount" (enter amount here).
- Have countable unearned income of less than the current FBR and resources under the current limit for SSI recipients.

## What does the 1619(b) provision do?

- Enables people who are ineligible for continued Medicaid coverage because earnings exceed the
  threshold amount to get SSI cash payments again if earnings fall below the break-even point
  within twelve months.
- Allows people who are ineligible for continued Medicaid coverage because earnings exceed the threshold amount to regain Medicaid eligibility if earnings drop below the threshold amount within twelve months.
- Allows eligible 1619(b) recipients to get SSI cash payments at any time earnings fall below the break-even point.
- Enables people to maintain eligibility for SSI cash payments or continued Medicaid coverage after a period of ineligibility without filing a new application.