§ 435.232 Individuals receiving only optional State supplements.

(a) If the agency provides Medicaid to individuals receiving SSI under § 435.220, it may provide Medicaid, in one or more of the following classifications, to individuals who receive only an optional State supplement that meets the conditions specified in paragraph (b) of this section and who would be eligible for SSI except for the level of their income.

(1) All aged individuals.
(2) All blind individuals.
(3) All disabled individuals.
(4) Only aged individuals in domiciliary facilities or other group living arrangements as defined under SSI.
(5) Only blind individuals in domiciliary facilities or other group living arrangements as defined under SSI.
(6) Only disabled individuals in domiciliary facilities or other group living arrangements as defined under SSI.

(b) Payments under the optional supplement program must be—

(1) Based on need and paid in cash on a regular basis;
(2) Equal to the difference between the individual’s countable income and the income standard used to determine eligibility for supplement. Countable income is income remaining after deductions required under SSI or, at State option, more liberal deductions are made (see § 435.1006 for limitations on FFP in Medicaid expenditures for individuals receiving optional State supplements); and
(3) Available to all individuals in each classification in paragraph (a) of this section and available on a statewide basis. However, the plan may provide for variations in the income standard by political subdivision according to cost-of-living differences.