



Common member profile:

- ▶ 9-year-old child
- ▶ \$256 Avg. benefits per month (children)

Who is Eligible?

- ▶ Individuals age 65 or older
- ▶ People who are disabled
- ▶ People who are blind
- ▶ Families with dependent children
- ▶ Pregnant women
- ▶ Children (up to age 21)
- ▶ Former foster children (up to age 26)
- ▶ Adults aged 19-64
- ▶ Individuals with breast and/or cervical cancer

Eligibility Criteria

- ▶ Proof of identity
- ▶ U.S. citizenship or legal immigrant status
- ▶ Proof of social security number or application for social security number
- ▶ Age
- ▶ Iowa residency
- ▶ Disability, when used as the basis for eligibility
- ▶ Residents of medical institutions and Home-and Community-Based Waiver applicants also:
 - Need to meet a certain level of care
 - Have lived in an institution for 30 consecutive days, if in the 300 percent eligibility group
 - Income limits specific to each coverage group
 - Resources limits specific to each coverage group

Frequency of Eligibility Verification

- ▶ Once every 12 months at the annual review, and
- ▶ Anytime a change is reported or known to the agency

IT System Used to Verify or Process Eligibility

- ▶ Iowa's Automated Benefit Calculation (IABC)
- ▶ Eligibility Integrated Application Solution (ELIAS) system


External Verifications

- ▶ The department has several data sharing agreements with other agencies to obtain information needed for an eligibility determination. These agencies include:
 - The Social Security Administration
 - Iowa Workforce Development
 - Iowa Department of Public Health
 - Iowa Department of Corrections
 - Accuity, Inc. to provide verification of assets for aged, blind and disabled populations
- ▶ For cases using ELIAS for eligibility determinations, electronic data sources are available for:
 - The Social Security Administration
 - Department of Treasury
 - Department of Homeland Security

Work Requirements

- ▶ One Medicaid coverage group requires an individual to have earned income from employment or self-employment. In Iowa, this group is called Medicaid for Employed People with Disabilities (MEPD).
- ▶ For all other coverage groups under Medicaid, there is not a requirement for an individual to be employed as a condition of eligibility.
- ▶ According to SMD: 18-002 guidance, states may use of Section 1115 Waiver process to submit Medicaid work and community engagement waivers for approval. According to the guidance, States may not impose such requirements on individuals classified as "disabled" for Medicaid eligibility purposes.

Federal Flexibility

 According to Title 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 435.916, the eligibility of Medicaid beneficiaries whose financial eligibility is determined using Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) based income must be renewed once every 12 months and no more frequently. However, a more frequent income check could be performed. For example, states could perform income verifications quarterly. States must submit a verification plan to CMS for approval.



Common client profile:

- ▶ Adults ages 19-64
- ▶ Not eligible for Medicaid
- ▶ \$786 Avg. benefits per month

Who is Eligible?	Eligibility Criteria	Frequency of Eligibility Verification	IT System Used to Verify or Process Eligibility	External Verifications	Work Requirements	Federal Flexibility
▶ Adults aged 19-64	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Proof of identity ▶ U.S. citizenship or legal immigrant status ▶ Proof of social security number or application for social security number ▶ Iowa residency ▶ Income up to 133% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) ▶ Not be otherwise eligible for Medicaid or Medicare 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Once every 12 months at the annual review, and ▶ Anytime a change is reported or known to the agency 	▶ Eligibility Integrated Application Solution (ELIAS) system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ The department has several data sharing agreements with other agencies to obtain information needed for an eligibility determination. These agencies include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Social Security Administration • Iowa Workforce Development • Iowa Department of Public Health • Iowa Department of Corrections ▶ For cases using ELIAS for eligibility determinations, electronic data sources are available for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Social Security Administration • Department of Treasury • Department of Homeland Security 	▶ There is not a requirement for an IHAWP member to be employed as a condition of eligibility.	



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▶ Children under age 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Proof of identity ▶ U.S. citizenship or legal immigrant status ▶ Proof of social security number or application for social security number ▶ Age ▶ Iowa residency ▶ Family income limits from 168 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) to 302 percent FPL ▶ Be uninsured 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Once every 12 months at the annual review, and ▶ Anytime a change is reported or known to the agency 	▶ Eligibility Integrated Application Solution (ELIAS) system	<p>For cases using ELIAS for eligibility determinations, electronic data sources are available for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ The Social Security Administration ▶ Department of Treasury ▶ Department of Homeland Security ▶ The Department also holds a contract with Health Management Systems to verify the presence or other health insurance. 	▶ There are no work or training requirements for Hawki members.	

*2019 Average based on a family of 4 where FPL is \$23,550



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<p>All adult Medicaid enrollees with the exception of the following populations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Persons enrolled in the PACE program ▶ Persons enrolled in the HIPP program ▶ Presumptively eligible individuals ▶ Nonqualified immigrants receiving time-limited coverage ▶ Individuals eligible only for the Medicare Savings Program ▶ Individuals with medical needs ▶ Periods of retroactive eligibility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ This is not a coverage group for Medicaid. DWP provides services to individuals aged 19 and older, except for populations listed above. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Part of Medicaid or IHAWP processing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Once every 12 months at the annual review, and ▶ Anytime a change is reported or known to the agency 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Eligibility Integrated Application Solution (ELIAS) system 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Consistent with Medicaid and IHAWP: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ The department has several data sharing agreements with other agencies to obtain information needed for an eligibility determination. These agencies include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Social Security Administration • Iowa Workforce Development • Iowa Department of Public Health • Iowa Department of Corrections • Accuity, Inc. to provide verification of assets for aged, blind and disabled populations ▶ For cases using ELIAS for eligibility determinations, electronic data sources are available for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Social Security Administration • Dept. of Treasury • Dept. of Homeland Security 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ There is not a requirement for a DWP member to be employed as a condition of eligibility. 	



Common client profile:

- ▶ Adult women
- ▶ \$303 Avg. benefit per month per household
- ▶ \$5.02 Avg. benefit per day per individual

Who is Eligible?

- ▶ Meets income guidelines
- ▶ Is a U.S. citizen or legal immigrant

Eligibility Criteria

A household may consist of one or more persons, and there is no requirement that a child be in the home. However, if living together, the following household members are mandatory to be in one SNAP household:

- ▶ Spouses
- ▶ Parents and their children aged 21 or younger
- ▶ Children under parental control, regardless of relation
- ▶ People who purchase and prepare food together, regardless of relation

Nonfinancial eligibility includes:

- ▶ Applicants and participants must be residents of Iowa
- ▶ Applicants and participants must be U.S. citizens or legal immigrants
- ▶ Households must provide a social security number or proof of application for one, for any member aged seven months or older
- ▶ Applicants and participants must agree to register for work

Financial eligibility includes income and resource limits as explained below:

- ▶ The gross income limit is based on 130 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL).
- ▶ The income limits are adjusted each year on October 1.

Frequency of Eligibility Verification

- ▶ Every application,
- ▶ Completed for every household member at application and each recertification.

Most households are certified for six months.

IT System Used to Verify or Process Eligibility

- ▶ Iowa's Automated Benefit Calculation (IABC)

External Verifications

- ▶ Income - verified through a variety of means, including paycheck stubs and/or by the employer.
- ▶ Resources - verified through a third party (such as bank, NADA value of a car, assessor for non-homestead property)
- ▶ Social security number - verified through Social Security Administration
- ▶ Questionable Information - verified through the client or third party

- Current data matching sources include:
- ▶ Social Security Administration
 - ▶ Iowa Workforce Development
 - ▶ Iowa Department of Corrections
 - ▶ Iowa County Sheriff Department
 - ▶ Iowa Collection and Reporting (ICAR)
 - ▶ Iowa Department of Health and Human Services
 - ▶ National Directory of New Hires
 - ▶ eDRS - national database of intentional program violation disqualifications
 - ▶ PARIS - National duplicate benefit match database
 - ▶ Internal Revenue Service
 - ▶ National Accuracy Clearinghouse (NAC) starting summer 2023 - interstate duplicate participation

- Information is also automatically system-generated and issued to workers for:
- ▶ Social Security
 - ▶ Employment income reported to IWD from employers
 - ▶ Unemployment benefit income
 - ▶ Prisoner information

Work Requirements

There are three categories of work requirements:

- ▶ Mandatory work registrants (MWRs)
- ▶ Able-bodied adults without dependents (ABAWDs)
- ▶ SNAP Employment and Training (E&T)

Mandatory Work Registrants:
All applicants and recipients aged 16-59 are mandatory work registrants unless they meet a federal exemption.

A person subject to MWR requirements must not voluntarily quit a job and must work at least 30 hours per week, if offered by their employer. Failure to adhere to these guidelines may result in temporary disqualification from the program.

- Able-bodied adults without dependents (ABAWDs), who are MWRs between 18-49 years of age who:
- ▶ Do not have a physical or mental barrier that limits their ability to maintain employment
 - ▶ Do not have a child under 18 years of age in their household
 - ▶ Are not pregnant

Eligibility for ABAWDs is limited to three months in a fixed three-year period.

- SNAP Employment & Training:
- ▶ E&T is a voluntary program in Iowa administered through participating community colleges and community based organizations. Participating in the program may allow participants to meet or be exempt from student eligibility, MWR, and ABAWD requirements.

Federal Flexibility

Federal regulations at 7 CFR 273.2 (a) state: "The State agency cannot, as a condition of eligibility, impose additional application or application processing requirements." Therefore, other than options allowed for by regulations, we cannot impose additional requirements.

More frequent verification of eligibility: Regulations at 7 CFR 273.12 explain reporting requirements. States have the option of implementing either:

- Change reporting, with monthly or quarterly reports
- Simplified reporting, with 6-month reports

Note: Only one state does not utilize simplified reporting. Changing the reporting requirements would be made via a state plan amendment. Rules at 441—65.5(234) would need to be changed.



Who is Eligible?

- ▶ Infants, up to their 1st birthday
- ▶ Children through the month they turn 5 years old
- ▶ Pregnant women
- ▶ Postpartum women, including those whose pregnancy did not result in a live birth
- ▶ Breastfeeding women, up to 1 year after giving birth

Eligibility Criteria

- ▶ Proof of identity
- ▶ Iowa resident
- ▶ Meet income requirements
 - Gross household income at or below 185% of the federal poverty level
 - Adjunctively eligible if they or a family member are enrolled in Medicaid, SNAP, TANF, or Head Start
- ▶ Categorically eligible participant type
- ▶ Has at least one nutrition or health risk as determined by local WIC staff

Frequency of Eligibility Verification

- ▶ Infants, children, and women who are breastfeeding are certified as eligible to receive services for one year
- ▶ Pregnant women are eligible for the duration of their pregnancy and up to six weeks after the pregnancy ends
- ▶ Postpartum, not breastfeeding women are eligible through six months after their pregnancy ends
- ▶ Recertification is required if a change is reported to the local WIC agency
 - Includes change in income, adjunct eligibility status, or participant category

IT System Used to Verify or Process Eligibility

- ▶ Focus, a federally approved system that is part of a multi-state user group

External Verifications

- ▶ Proof of identity, income, and residency are verified internally by local WIC staff
 - An acceptable list of proofs can be found in Iowa WIC policy
- ▶ Proof of adjunct eligibility through Medicaid is verified via IMPA, ELVS or EDISS

Work Requirements

Federal Flexibility



Common client profile:

- ▶ Single Caucasian woman, age 20-29
- ▶ Has one or more children under the age of 18 living at home
- ▶ \$134.51/month per recipient

Who is Eligible?

- ▶ Meets income and resource guidelines
- ▶ Is a U.S. citizen or legal immigrant
- ▶ Must have a child (under 18 or 18 and attending high school full time and expected to complete school before 19) in the home

Eligibility Criteria

A family must meet financial and nonfinancial eligibility criteria to be eligible for FIP.

Nonfinancial eligibility

- ▶ Children must live with a parent or relative
- ▶ Children must be under age 18 or 18 and attending and expected to complete school before age 19
- ▶ Must live in Iowa
- ▶ Must be U.S. citizens or eligible alien
- ▶ Must provide a social security number or proof of application for a number
- ▶ Must cooperate in establishing paternity and collecting child support
- ▶ Must assign their right to child support payments to the state while on FIP
- ▶ Minor parents must live with a parent or legal guardian or show proof of good cause for not doing so
- ▶ Must cooperate with PROMISE JOBS, the Department's work and training program
- ▶ Resource limits: \$2,000 for applicants and \$5,000 for participants

Federal law imposes a 60-month lifetime limit on the period that families with adults can receive TANF-funded assistance. Months of TANF assistance in any state count toward the nationwide 60-month lifetime limit. After 60 months, 6-month extensions can be approved, if the family shows proof of a hardship that prevents them from being self-supporting. Examples of hardship reasons: physical or mental health problems, substance abuse, domestic violence.

Frequency of Eligibility Verification

- ▶ Every application,
- ▶ Review every six months and
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IT System Used to Verify or Process Eligibility

- ▶ Iowa's Automated Benefit Calculation (IABC)

External Verifications

- ▶ Consistent with SNAP:
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Work Requirements

Yes. States receiving a TANF grant:

- ▶ Must verify and report hours of participation on work-eligible members of families receiving TANF assistance and
- ▶ Are required to meet specified work participation rates to avoid federal sanction

All FIP applicants and participants must cooperate with PROMISE JOBS unless exempt. The PROMISE JOBS program provides work and training services for FIP participants to meet federal requirements and to help participants become self-supporting.

Almost all of the adults in a FIP household are required to participate in PROMISE JOBS. Those who are not required to participate include:

- ▶ Children under 16 who are not parents
- ▶ Children age 16-18 who are in school
- ▶ Persons receiving SSI
- ▶ Caretaker relatives who do not receive FIP

Federal Flexibility

FIP Eligibility Determinations: There are no federal requirements or prohibitions regarding how frequently states do eligibility determinations for programs funded with TANF, including FIP. There would be a fiscal impact related to completing more frequent eligibility determinations (printing, postage, increase in workload). This change would require rule changes, system changes, manual changes, form changes and training.

Please note that if a policy change causes the FIP caseload to decrease the decrease in cases related to the policy change cannot be counted in the caseload reduction credit that helps the state meet federal TANF work rate requirements.

FIP Work Requirements: Federal TANF statute and regulations would allow changes to the FIP work requirements, but only to the extent that the program continues to meet TANF work requirements as specified in federal law, Title IV of the Social Security Act. There are no waiver provisions in federal law for TANF.

Any changes would require rule changes, system changes, manual changes, form changes and training, along with potential updates to Iowa code, our TANF State Plan, TANF Work Verification Plan, and contract with Iowa Workforce Development (for PROMISE JOBS services).




- Common member profile:**
- ▶ Children of income-eligible parents
 - ▶ Aged 13 and under
 - ▶ Parents depend on daytime childcare

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Children of income-eligible parents who are absent for a portion of the day due to employment or participation in academic or vocational training or PROMISE JOBS activities. ▶ Assistance may also be available for a limited period of time to the children of a parent looking for employment. ▶ Child care services for a child with protective needs are provided without regard to income. 	<p>Families may get help from the Child Care Assistance program if they:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Have a child who needs care who is under the age of 13 (or under the age of 19 if the child has special needs) and ▶ Are a member of a Family Investment Program (FIP) participant household <p>If the family is not a Family Investment Program participant, they may qualify for the CCA program if they:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Have a child who needs care who is under the age of 13 (or under the age of 19 if the child has special needs) and ▶ Have income under the program's limits and work an average of at least 28 hours per week; or ▶ Attend an approvable training or education program full-time; or ▶ Attend approvable training part-time and also work part-time for a total of at least 28 hours per week; or ▶ Are looking for work; or ▶ Become unable to work or attend school because of an approved medical reason <p>NOTE: Child care provided while a parent participates in postsecondary education or training has a 24 fiscal month lifetime limit</p> <p>Income limits as of July 1, 2022 are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ For initial eligibility (application), family income may not exceed 145 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) for basic care, or 200 percent of the FPL for families with special needs children. ▶ For ongoing eligibility (annual review), family income may not exceed 250 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) for basic care, or 275 percent of the FPL for families with special needs children. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Annually 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ KinderTrack 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Employment hours and income are verified through paycheck stubs and/or by the employer ▶ Educational schedule and enrollment status are verified by the institution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Employment of at least 28 hours per week on average; or ▶ Attend an approvable training or education program full-time (as determined by the facility); or ▶ Attend approvable training part-time and also work part-time for a total of at least 28 hours per week on average 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Section 98.20(b). A grantee or other administering agency may establish eligibility conditions or priority rules in addition to those specified in this section and § 98.46, which shall be described in the Plan pursuant to § 98.16(i)(5), so long as they do not impact eligibility other than at the time of eligibility determination or redetermination. ▶ Section 98.21(a). A Lead Agency shall re-determine a child's eligibility for child care services no sooner than 12 months following the initial determination or most recent redetermination.

Rent Reimbursement



Common client profile:
▶ [Demographics currently being collected]

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Individuals aged 65 or older ▶ People aged 18 or older and totally disabled ▶ Meets income guidelines ▶ Lives in Iowa ▶ Paid rent in Iowa during the year being applied for, and that rental property is subject to property tax 	<p>Proof required for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Identity ▶ Age ▶ Disability, if applicable ▶ Income ▶ Residency ▶ Rent paid on eligible property 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Annually 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ State ID Generator ▶ Income and Eligibility Verification System (IEVS) ▶ Worker Information System Exchange (WISE) ▶ Iowa Automated Benefits Calculator (IABC) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Iowa Department of Transportation ▶ Iowa Workforce Development ▶ Pitney Bowes ▶ FUTURE – Social Security Administration (SSA) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ None 	<p> N/A</p>