

**State Supplement Programs provide cash and/or medical assistance to certain seniors, blind, or disabled individuals who cannot meet their basic human needs.**

The State Supplement Program (SSP) includes the following programs:

- Old Age Assistance (OAA): For New Hampshire (N.H.) residents who are 65 years of age or older;
- Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled (APTD): For NH residents who are between the ages of 18 and 64, and are determined by the State to be physically or mentally disabled;
- Aid to the Needy Blind (ANB): For N.H. residents of any age who are determined by the State to be legally blind.
- Medicaid for Employed Adults with Disabilities (MEAD): For N.H. residents with earnings who are over the age of 65; and
- Medicaid for Older Adults with Disabilities (MOAD): For N.H. residents with earnings who are over the age of 65.

**HOW DO I APPLY?**

It's easy to apply! You can apply by:

- Going to <https://nheasy.nh.gov>, and completing an application online;
- Printing out an application from [www.dhhs.nh.gov](http://www.dhhs.nh.gov). Then just complete it and mail it; or
- Contacting your local DHHS District Office to apply.

You must also talk to us about your situation and your needs. During this interview, we will tell you about program requirements and your benefits.

**WHAT DO I NEED FOR MY SSP INTERVIEW?**

To avoid delays when you have an interview, you should have the following with you:

- Proof of all income;
- Proof of N.H. residency;
- Proof of shelter expenses or food expenses;
- Information about cash on hand, and bank accounts;

- Certificates of deposits (C.O.D.), Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA's), annuities;
- Burial Contracts;
- Life Insurance policies; and
- Award letters for benefits such as Social Security, Veteran's Benefits, and/or Railroad Benefits

You must give us complete and correct information about anything that effects your eligibility.

**HOW IS SSP DIFFERENT FROM SSI?**

Some SSP programs such as OAA, APTD, and ANB provide cash assistance in the form of semi-monthly payments for N.H. Seniors, blind, or disabled individuals. Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a federal program that pays monthly checks to seniors, disabled, and blind people who have limited income and resources.

\*If applying for SSP cash assistance, you must also apply for all other potential sources of income to include SSI, SSDI, and SS Retirement. federal SSI Program. If you are denied these benefits due to not meeting the medical criteria, you will not be eligible for APTD cash benefits.

**ARE THERE INCOME OR RESOURCE LIMITS?**

Yes. Eligibility for OAA, APTD, ANB, MEAD & MOAD depends on the amount of income (wages, Social Security, SSI, etc.) and resources (savings accounts, etc.) that you and your spouse have.

**WHAT ABOUT MEDICAL BILLS?**

You can also get only medical assistance (no cash) under SSP. You will be given a Medicaid card. Keep this card in a secure place. Show this card to the doctor, hospital or pharmacist before you receive services. Many doctors and pharmacists will accept this card and bill Medicaid. Generally, Medicaid will not pay for over-the-counter items.

If you have Medicare, the Medicaid card will pay for all coinsurance and deductibles, but not all of your prescriptions will be covered under Medicaid. Medicare or other medical insurance must be billed before Medicaid can pay.

**CAN I GET OTHER HELP?**

If you get OAA, APTD, ANB, MEAD or MOAD, you may also qualify for other programs such as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits. We will discuss other programs with you and help you apply for them. You can also go to our website on the front of this pamphlet to get more information about all the programs we offer.

**WHAT IS REIMBURSEMENT AND RECOVERY?**

According to the laws of N.H., a lien is placed on the real property for all *cash assistance granted* to recipients of OAA, ANB, & APTD and their spouses, unless legally separated or divorced.

When you apply for OAA, ANB, & APTD *cash assistance*, you **must** sign a reimbursement agreement to acknowledge that the State of N.H. has the right to impose a lien on any real property that you and your spouse own (at the time of assistance or in the future) before cash assistance is granted. The state will also file a lien to get paid back for any OAA, ANB, APTD, MEAD, MOAD or GA medical assistance (Medicaid) you received after age 55.

**WHAT ARE MY RIGHTS?**

You have the right to:

- apply for OAA, APTD, ANB, MEAD or MOAD;
- be treated fairly;
- receive a notice of the decision telling you how much assistance you will get or why you or your family is not eligible;
- receive your grant timely, if eligible;
- request a conference and/or appeal if you are dissatisfied with the Department's decision and to bring a friend or an attorney to this conference and/or hearing;
- have your case record kept confidential; and
- decide how best to use your OAA, APTD, ANB, MEAD & MOAD assistance.

**Administrative Appeals**

You may request an administrative appeal if you disagree with any action(s) taken in your case. At the appeal hearing, you can explain why you disagree with those actions. Request an appeal as quickly as possible to protect your rights.

## Discrimination

DHHS decides each case based on the facts. If you feel you have been discriminated against because of age, sex(including gender identity and sexual orientation), race, creed, color, marital status, familial status, disability(physical or mental), religion, national origin, political affiliation or belief, contact the Ombudsman of the NH DHHS, 129 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH, 03301-3857; telephone (603) 271-6941 or 1-800-852-3345, ext 16941. There can be no retaliation against you for having made this contact.

## WHAT ARE MY RESPONSIBILITIES?

You are responsible for:

- Giving us complete and correct information about anything that effects your eligibility;
- Giving us proof of everything you tell us;
- Telling us promptly of any changes that might affect your eligibility. This includes: changes of address, income, and resources such as earnings, Social Security benefits, real property ownership, interests in trusts, or money from insurance settlements. You must report these changes within ten days after they happen; and
- Paying back money you got from us if you received it incorrectly. You must pay this money back whether the reason you got this money incorrectly was our fault or your fault.

## PENALTIES FOR FRAUD?

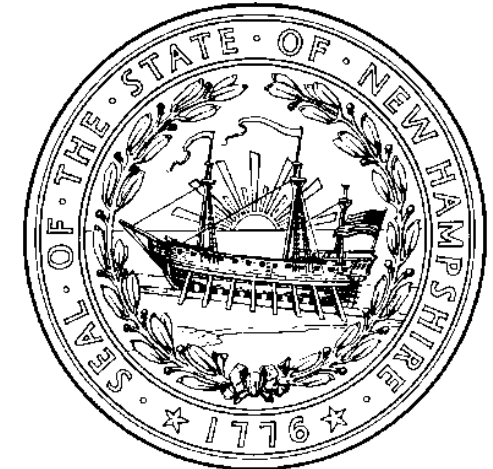
If you purposely make false or misleading statements or fail to report your true circumstances to get State Supplements or other public assistance, you may be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

This pamphlet was designed to give you general information about the New Hampshire State Supplement Programs. Please contact your local District Office for more information.

**If You Have Any Questions...** Please contact 1-844-ASK-DHHS (1-844-275-3447) or your local DHHS District Office.

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