

ENROLLMENT IN THE PROGRAM, SUBJECT TO THE MONEYS AVAILABLE IN THE SEGREGATED ACCOUNT UNDER § 14-504 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

[(b) The subsidy required under subsection (a) of this section shall be equal to:

(1) for the Medicare Part D prescription drug plan or Medicare Advantage Plan drug-related premium:

(i) for individuals who do not qualify for a federal low-income subsidy, at least \$25 per enrollee per month; and

(ii) for individuals who qualify for a partial federal low-income subsidy, the lesser of:

1. the amount provided under item (i) of this item; or

2. the full amount of the enrollee share of the premium; and

(2) for the Medicare Part D prescription drug plan or Medicare Advantage Plan drug-related deductible, the total amount of the deductible, less the copayment or coinsurance amount specified in subsection (c) of this section.

(c) An enrollee shall pay a copayment or coinsurance amount, instead of a deductible, equal to the initial copayment or coinsurance amount for which the enrollee is responsible under the enrollee's Medicare Part D prescription drug plan or Medicare Advantage Plan after the deductible is satisfied.

(d) The Program shall establish an annual subsidy limit for an enrollee.]

(B) THE PROGRAM MAY ANNUALLY PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL SUBSIDY, UP TO THE FULL AMOUNT OF THE MEDICARE PART D PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN PREMIUM, FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO QUALIFY FOR A PARTIAL FEDERAL LOW-INCOME SUBSIDY.

(C) THE PROGRAM SHALL MAINTAIN A WAITING LIST OF INDIVIDUALS WHO MEET THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PROGRAM BUT WHO ARE NOT SERVED BY THE PROGRAM DUE TO FUNDING LIMITATIONS.

~~(C)~~ (D) THE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE ANNUALLY:

(1) THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS TO BE ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM;

(2) THE AMOUNT OF SUBSIDY TO BE PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION; AND

(3) THE AMOUNT OF ANY ADDITIONAL SUBSIDY PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION.

(E) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE BOARD, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, SHALL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON:

(1) THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS ON THE WAITING LIST FOR THE PROGRAM; AND