

Article - Health - General

Section 15-124

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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(a) (1) The Department shall maintain a Maryland Pharmacy Assistance Program for low income individuals ~~{whose}~~ WHO ARE:

(I) ~~—AGE 55 OR ABOVE;~~

(II) ~~—DETERMINED ELIGIBLE FOR THE SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM;~~

(III) ~~—DETERMINED ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICARE BENEFITS;~~  
OR

(IV) ~~—HIV POSITIVE.~~

(2) ~~THE MARYLAND PHARMACY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUALS IDENTIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION WHOSE:~~

(i) Assets are not more than 1.5 times the amount of accountable resources according to the asset schedule of the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; and

(ii) Gross annual income does not exceed:

1. \$4,600 plus \$500 for each individual over 1 in a family unit;

and

2. An annual increase set by the Secretary under paragraph

~~{(2)}~~ (3) (iii) of this subsection.

~~{(2)}~~ (3) For the purpose of paragraph ~~{(1)}~~ (2) of this subsection, the Secretary shall:

(i) Define excluded assets;

(ii) Establish a family unit structure; and

(iii) Beginning July 1, 1985, increase annually at the time social security benefits are increased, rounded to the next highest even \$50 level, the income level within which an individual is eligible for benefits under the Maryland Pharmacy Assistance Program by the larger of: