

Medicaid Standards Chart

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The table shows Medicaid eligibility and other standards in effect as of 01/01/2026.

You can find more information about Medicaid Standards on the Washington Health Care Authority website (<https://www.hca.wa.gov/free-or-low-cost-health-care/i-help-others-apply-and-access-apple-health/program-standard-income-and-resources>).

Standards	Amount	Effective
Federal Benefit Rate (FBR)	\$994	01/2026
Maximum resource for single person	\$2,000	01/1989
Maximum income for COPES applicant (Income allowance for single COPES participant (CNIL) + monthly nursing facility rate (state) + \$20 disregard)	\$14,505	01/2026
Income allowance for married COPES participant Categorically Needy Income Level (CNIL)	\$994	01/2026
Income allowance for single COPES participant Special Income Level (SIL)	\$2,982	01/2026
Income allowance for community spouse CS maintenance needs allowance maximum	\$4,066	01/2026
Community spouse resource limit – participant in hospital or nursing home	\$162,660	01/2026
Federal spousal resource maximum		

Standards	Amount	Effective
Community spouse resource limit – participant in community	\$72,529	07/2025
State spousal resources		
Home Equity Limit	\$1,130,000	01/2026
Personal Needs Allowance in a care facility	\$108.74	01/2026
Housing maintenance allowance maximum	\$1,304	04/2025
Community spouse excess shelter cost	\$793	07/2025
Nursing Facility Rate – daily - private	\$462	10/2025
Nursing Facility Rate – monthly - private	\$14,059	10/2025
Nursing Facility Rate – monthly - state	\$11,503	10/2025

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