

2021 Illinois Medicare Savings Programs (QMB, SLIB, QI-1)



The Medicare Savings Program (MSP) is a State Medicaid program that can help to pay Medicare premiums, and possibly deductibles, and coinsurance for Medicare beneficiaries (elderly or disabled) who qualify.

You can apply at: <https://abe.illinois.gov/abe/access/>

Effective 04/2021

Program Name ¹	2021 Monthly Income Limits	Resource/Asset Limits	Program Pays	Effective Date
Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB)	100% FPL \$1,073 Individual \$1,452 Couple	\$7,970 Individual \$11,960 Couple	Part A & B Premiums, deductibles, & coinsurance	Premiums are paid effective the month of QMB eligibility which is (the month after the month of the QMB eligibility determination.
Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLIB/SLMB)	120%FPL \$1,287 Individual \$1,741 Couple	\$7,970 Individual \$11,960 Couple	Medicare Part B premiums	Part B premium paid for application month & may be backdated an additional 3 months
Qualified Individual-1 (QI-1)	135 % FPL \$1,448 Individual \$1,959 Couple	\$7,970 Individual \$11,960 Couple	Medicare Part B premiums	Part B premium paid for application month & may be backdated an additional 3 months

NOTE: Illinois Medicaid income standards differ from the national amounts

Main Reference: DHS WAG 25-03-02 <https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=21741>

Reference: **2021 FPL: 100% FPL** = \$12,880 for an individual annually & \$17,420 for a couple annually <https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines>

Estate recovery is eliminated for MSP per MIPPA: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=60004>

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