

C-Eligibility Requirements

C-100 Overview

Each long-term care program, which the Office of Aging and Adult Services (OAAS) administers, has requirements that must be met for the individual to be determined eligible. These eligibility requirements can be classified into three major groupings: financial, program requirement and level of care eligibility. For specific eligibility requirements for each individual program, refer to the OAAS Program fact sheets at <https://ldh.la.gov/index.cfm/newsroom/detail/1433>.

C-200 Financial Eligibility

Financial eligibility for Medicaid-funded programs is determined by the appropriate Medicaid office. Maximum income and resource limits are announced each year by the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) Medicaid division. Current income and resource limits are listed on the current OAAS Program Fact Sheets at <https://ldh.la.gov/index.cfm/newsroom/detail/1433>.

Medicaid financial eligibility rules are complex. Certain income and resources may be excluded from these set financial limits. OAAS staff and/or support coordinators (SC) should not advise individuals on financial eligibility based on these limits. All questions regarding financial eligibility must be referred to the appropriate Medicaid office.

C-300 Program Requirement Eligibility

Program requirements are defined in program rules and policies and are specific to each program that OAAS administers. For example, an OAAS assurance is that an individual's health and welfare must be assured in the home setting for all OAAS waiver programs.). All program requirements for a specific program must be met in order for the individual to be determined eligible for that program.

C-400 Level of Care Eligibility

All long-term care programs administered by OAAS must meet Nursing Facility Level of Care (NF LOC) as one of the eligibility requirements. OAAS uses the interRAI Home Care Assessment (iHC) to determine if an individual has met NF LOC for the OAAS long-term care programs. Refer to the OAAS Nursing Facility Level of Care Eligibility Manual, OAAS-MAN-13-005, for specific LOC eligibility criteria.

<https://ldh.la.gov/assets/docs/OAAS/Manuals/LOCEligibilityManual.pdf>