



## **CCSE Bulletin 24-01**

**Date:** February 06, 2024

**To:** Eligibility Services Supervisors and Staff  
Program Managers  
Regional Directors  
Regional Attorneys  
Hearings Officers

**From:** Community Care Services State Office

**Subject:** **2024 Federal Poverty Level**

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The information in this bulletin will be included in a future handbook revision. Until the handbook is updated, staff must use the information in this bulletin. If you have any questions regarding the policy information in this bulletin, follow regional procedures.

Active bulletins are posted on the following websites:

- Community Care Services Eligibility Handbook (CCSEH) at <https://www.hhs.texas.gov/handbooks/community-care-services-eligibility-handbook>

## 2024 Federal Poverty Level

### Background

The United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) updated the federal poverty level (FPL) annually. Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) uses the FPL to annually adjust amounts used for eligibility determinations for the Medicare Savings Programs (MSP).

Effective March 1, 2024, the following income limits have been updated based on the new FPL.

### Policy Update

#### [Medicare Savings Programs \(MSP\)](#)

##### 2024 Income Limits

- Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (QMB) – 100 percent FPL
  - Individual: \$1,255
  - Couple: \$1,704
- Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiaries (SLMB) – 120 percent FPL
  - Individual: \$1,506
  - Couple: \$2,044
- Qualifying Individuals (QI-1) – 135 percent FPL
  - Individual: \$1,695
  - Couple: \$2,300
- Qualified Disabled Working Individuals (QDWI) – 200 percent FPL
  - Individual: \$2,510
  - Couple: \$3,407

### Automation

Automation changes are not required.

**Correspondence**

Correspondence changes are not required.

**Handbook**

The CCSEH is currently scheduled to be updated in the June 2024 revision.

**Training**

Training is not required.

**Effective Date**

This policy is effective March 1, 2024.