

**Montana Medicaid for Workers with Disabilities
 Enrollment and Premium Trends**

Human & Community Services Division --Linda Snedigar, Administrator

SGA-Non Blind
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Premium Numbers:

FPL	0-100%	100-150%	150-200%	200-250%	
Jul-10	\$35 Level	\$75 level	\$125 level	\$175 level	GrandTotal
# of Recipients	2	15	5	1	23
					total \$1,995
Aug-10	\$35 Level	\$75 level	\$125 level	\$175 level	GrandTotal
# of Recipients	29	54	8	3	94
					total \$6,590
Sep-10	\$35 Level	\$75 level	\$125 level	\$175 level	GrandTotal
# of Recipients	47	80	16	3	146
					total \$10,170
Oct-10	\$35 Level	\$75 level	\$125 level	\$175 level	GrandTotal
# of Recipients	69	73	19	3	164
					total \$10,790.30
Nov-10	\$35 Level	\$75 level	\$125 level	\$175 level	GrandTotal
# of Recipients	59	112	27	3	201
					total \$14,365
Dec-10	\$35 Level	\$75 level	\$125 level	\$175 level	GrandTotal
# of Recipients	68	75	16	0	159
		\$67 level	\$100 level	\$135 level	
# of Recipients		63	11	1	75
	68	138	27	1	234
					total \$15,461

Total cost shares collected July 2010 through December 2010 is \$59,731
 (Cost-share payment is required for actual issuance for an eligible recipient.)

Eligible Enrollment Numbers:		Cost shares received and end of month enrollments do not reconcile exactly. Some individuals either do not pay their cost share and complete the second step for issuance pay early in the previous month
Jul-10	22 (3 new to Medicaid)	
Aug-10	96 (3 new to Medicaid)	
Sep-10	152 (5 new to Medicaid)	
Oct-10	198 (4 new to Medicaid)	
Nov-10	228 (6 new to Medicaid)	
Dec-10	255 (15 new to Medicaid)	
36 Total new to Medicaid in that month		
31 Totally new to system		

*Social Security monthly Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA) for 2011 are:
 Blind - \$1,640 Non-Blind - \$1,000 (In Dec 2010, only 2 MWD eligibles were blind)

Service Cost Totals:

Pool of 255 Eligibles used \$218,796 from July 2010 to December 2010
 of those:
 21 of 31 Eligibles new to Medicaid used \$110,448

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Representative John Esp
Appropriations Subcommittee
Health and Human Services
State Capitol Building
Helena, MT 59620

Dear Representative Esp:

We have looked into your question about the number of Department FTE in Sweet Grass County.

DPHHS has reduced the number of FTE in Sweet Grass County by moving one FTE to Yellowstone County. The paperwork to reflect the move had not been completed at the time the large map, "DPHHS: Serving Montana Border to Border", was produced; it should now state 4 FTE for Sweet Grass County and not 5.

DPHHS has one FTE in Sweet Grass County through Human and Community Services Division. In addition, the Child and Family Services Division (CFSD) has 3 FTE allocated, in part, to Sweet Grass County. In our continuing effort to increase efficient outreach to rural areas, these same CFSD FTE also serve Stillwater and Carbon County as well. However, the location codes for these 3 FTE are assigned to Sweet Grass County.

The idea behind the large "DPHHS: Serving Montana Border to Border" map was to convey to the Subcommittee how much this agency impacts the entire state through both funding and services provided by staff. I appreciate your question and the opportunity to offer an explanation. Please let me know if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Laurie Lamson".

Laurie Lamson
Operations Services Branch Manager

cc: Anna Whiting Sorrell
Jon Ebelt

TANF and Domestic Violence

Montana

The Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) TANF program is committed to providing services and support to individuals currently involved in or survivors of domestic violence situations.

The Department partners with the Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV) and the Statewide BSAFE Advisory Council to develop policies and practices within the TANF Program that will better serve TANF recipients involved in or survivors of domestic violence, as well as their families.

- The MCADSV is "a statewide coalition of individuals and organizations working to end domestic and sexual violence through advocacy, public education, public policy and program development. Our mission is to support and facilitate networking among our member organizations while advocating for social change in Montana." MCADSV represents over 50 programs that provide direct services to victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence and their children.
- The BSAFE Advisory Council is comprised of statewide organizations invested in asset-development and domestic violence projects with goals of increasing assets, providing financial education and increasing confidence and self-esteem among domestic violence survivors.

TANF policies and practices support this population through use of the following:

Policy:

- **Case Management**
 - It is recommended by the Department that the WoRC programs designate one case manager per office to assist and case manage individuals who report domestic violence; this ensures that case management is consistent. This case manager would also be included in domestic violence training, conferences and meetings and would report back to staff regarding updates and changes.
 - Case management must take place in a safe environment. This means that it may not always be possible at the WoRC office so flexible meeting places/schedules may be required for safety purposes.
 - The Department also recommends that parents in a 2-parent household be seen by separate case managers. At a minimum it is required that parents attend separate case management meetings, even if they have the same case manager.
 - It is required that separate case notes are documented in TEAMS (The Economic Assistance Management System) and 2-parent households must have separate case files.
- **Activities**
 - If an individual reports a current domestic violence situation, their activities are changed to meet the need.
- **Family Violence Indicator**
 - This indicates on TEAMS if an individual is currently involved in a domestic violence situation. It is defaulted to a 'N' but must be changed if:

1. The individual answers 'yes' on the HCS 326 or reports domestic violence and is engaged in addressing the issue.
2. The participant reports they have recently fled a domestic violence situation.
 - o The indicator should not be changed if:
 1. The individual reports or answers 'yes' on the HCS 326 but they also report it is no longer an issue,
 2. If they decline any domestic violence referrals.

Forms:

The following forms are used as screening and assessment tools to help case managers determine what services and assistance a TANF recipient may need to become self sufficient.

- **HCS-326 Domestic Violence Screening Questionnaire**
 - o This form is required to be completed/reviewed with every adult individual who is receiving TANF Cash Assistance and is updated every 3 months. This form gathers information on current or past domestic violence situations, if the individual has lived in a shelter and if they are seeking counseling or working with a domestic violence agency.
- **HCS-172 Domestic Violence Palm Card**
 - o Case managers are required to give this card to an individual who has answered yes to a single question on the HCS 326
- **HCS-174 Universal Notification of TANF Family Violence Option**
 - o This is given to individuals when they apply for TANF at their local Office of Public Assistance and at the WoRC office if they answer yes to a single question on the HCS 326. This informs participants that they may be temporarily excused from participating in some activities and/or child support requirements for their children.
- **HCS-173 TANF and the Family Violence Option: Safety and Self-Sufficiency**
 - o This form was developed in conjunction with the MCADSV. It is given to case managers as a desk reference guide to assist them in working with individuals who are currently involved or have been involved in a domestic violence situation.
- **XXX Domestic Violence Safety Plan**
 - o If an individual does not have a safety plan in place and answers a single yes on the HCS 326 this must be completed with the WoRC case manager.

Training:

- Joint training completed September 16, 2009 with MCADSV and WoRC Programs.

Through our partnerships with the MCADSV and BSAFE Advisory Council we have developed policies, forms and training materials that have been vital to our work with TANF recipients who have been or are currently involved with a domestic violence situation. With the Department's current policies and practices and with the collaboration of other domestic violence service providers TANF recipients are able to safely complete the required work activities and move toward the path of self sufficiency.

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 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
 THE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
 TANF FAMILY VIOLENCE REPORT
 FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2011

TANF HOUSEHOLDS WITH FAMILY VIOLENCE INDICATOR ON EMPL

COUNTY	TOTAL # HOUSEHOLDS	ONE-PARENT	TWO-PARENT
BEAVERHEAD	6	6	
BIGHORN	20	17	3
BLAINE	1	1	
CARBON	1	1	
CASCADE	20	20	
CUSTER	1	1	
DAMSON	1	1	
DEERLODGE	12	11	1
FALLON	1	1	
FERGUS	1	1	
FLATHEAD	10	10	
GALLATIN	9	8	1
GLACIER	6	2	4
LAKE	5	4	1
LEWIS & CLARK	17	16	1
LINCOLN	10	7	3
MISSOULA	12	10	2
MUSSELSHELL PARK	3	3	
PONDERA	2	2	
POWELL	3	3	
RAVALLI	5	5	
ROOSEVELT	14	14	
ROSEBUD	5	3	2
SANDERS	19	16	3
SILVER BOW	2	1	1
VALLEY	14	13	1
YELLOWSTONE	2	2	
	21	20	1
STATEWIDE TOTALS:	223	199	24