

Subject TEFRA Parental Contributions

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Overview

This bill eliminates certain parental contributions for services for children with a disability under the Medical Assistance (MA) TEFRA option.

TEFRA is an optional eligibility category under MA. Under this option, only the child's income is counted and parents pay a parental fee. In order to be eligible under the TEFRA option, an individual must:

- be under age 18;
- have a disability determination from the State Medical Review Team (SMRT);
- require a level of home health care comparable to the care provided in a hospital, nursing facility, or ICF/DD;
- have MA home care costs that do not exceed the cost to MA of institutional care;
- live with at least one parent; and
- meet the MA income standard (the income limit is 100 percent of FPG and only the child's income is counted).

There is no asset limit under the TEFRA option.

Summary

Section	Description
1	Contribution amount. Amends § 252.27, subd. 2a. Excludes parents of a minor child with disabilities who is determined eligible for MA without consideration of parental income under the TEFRA option from the parental contribution requirement.

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2	<p>Actions to obtain payment.</p> <p>Amends § 256B.14, subd. 2. Specifies the rules to determine the responsibility of relatives to contribute partial or complete payment of MA furnished to recipients for whom they are responsible do not apply to parents of children whose eligibility was determined without deeming of the parents' resources and income under the TEFRA option.</p>



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