



LONG TERM CARE  
**MEDICAID**

HOW IT WORKS



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## WHAT IS MEDICAID?

- Long Term Care Medicaid is a federal program that may provide nursing home services to eligible individuals 65 years of age or older or for younger people who are disabled.
- You may qualify if you meet Medicaid's asset and income criteria.
- Though a married applicant can qualify with significantly more, an individual applicant must have fewer than \$2,000 in countable resources to be eligible for benefits.
- Most resources with the exception of a primary residence are countable toward the resource limit.

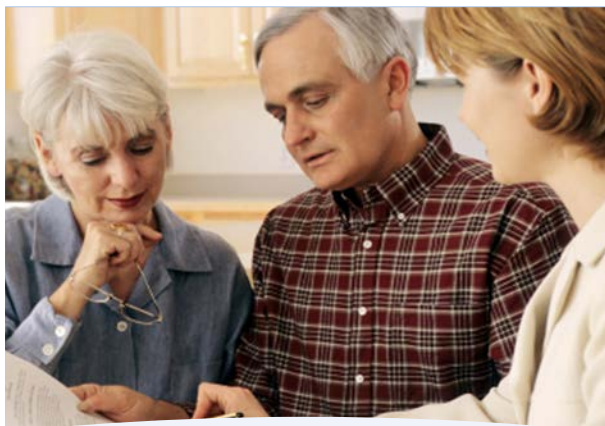
## HOW DO I PREPARE?

- Keep a detailed accounting of household income and expenses.
- Medicaid may request financial documents going back as far as **five years** prior to the date you apply.
- Assets given away five years before applying can cause Medicaid to impose a penalty period of ineligibility.
- Discuss any decision to transfer cash, property, or other valuables with an elder law attorney who specializes in Medicaid rules and regulations.
- Consider purchasing an irrevocable burial plan.

## WHEN DO I BEGIN?

- Though Larimer County Department of Human Services will accept a Medicaid application 60 days prior to meeting all qualifying criteria, gathering the required documentation and filling out the application can take several months.
- Allow enough time to locate and copy the following documents: Social security card, Medicare card, health insurance card, photo identification, birth certificate, life insurance policies, property tax statements, proof of income, bank statements, as well as retirement and investment account statements.





## WHEN YOU'RE READY

- Columbine Health Systems provides no-cost assistance to facilitate your Medicaid application.
- Our business office coordinator assists you in understanding the paperwork and the process of applying for Medicaid.

Contact your administrator or business office coordinator for details.

**Please note:** *The information provided is meant as a guideline only.*

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