

### **OPTIONS Cost Share Countable Income List**

- Social Security benefits
- SSI Benefits
- Wages, Salaries, tips
- Private Pensions, annuities, and union benefits
- Government retirement pensions
- Veterans pensions
- Railroad retirement, Railroad disability
- Dividends or interest from stocks, bonds, savings, etc.
- Alimony and child support
- Boarder/Roomer or Net (gain or loss) Rental income
- Public Assistance
- Net (gain or loss) self-employment income
- Unemployment compensation
- Estate and trust funds
- Black Lung benefits
- Workman's Compensation payments
- Reverse Mortgage income

**Note:** If the consumer filed a federal tax return, the adjusted gross income may be used to determine the amount of the cost share fee. However, non-taxable income such as Social Security must be added to the adjusted gross income on the tax return to calculate cost share percent.

### **OPTIONS Cost Share Excluded Income List**

- Low Income Home energy Assistance payments (LIHEAP)
- Food stamps
- Medicare, Medicaid, and PACE (prescription program) benefits
- FCSP reimbursements
- Income tax refunds
- Property tax and Rent rebates

### **OPTIONS Cost Share Deduction List**

- Unreimbursed medical expenses exceeding 7.5% of yearly income as described in the instructions for [Federal Tax Form 1040, Schedule A, Itemized Deductions](#)
- Rent
- Current primary mortgage
- Property Taxes
- Homeowner's or Renter's Insurance
- Standard Utility deduction of \$XXXXX per month
  - This Utility deduction includes sewer, H2O, electric, gas, oil, propane, garbage, phone, cable/internet
- Maintenance costs necessary to resolve local code compliance that exceed 30% of the consumer and co-habiting spouse's yearly income
- Maintenance costs necessary for the health and safety of the consumer that exceed 30% of the consumer and co-habiting spouse's yearly income