

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF AGING**

Caregiver Support Program Eligibility Quick Reference Chart

Eligibility	Caregiver of Individuals Age 60+ or with Alzheimer's Disease or Other Chronic Dementia		Grandparent/Older Relative Caregiver of Children	Older Relative Caregiver of an Adult with a Disability
	State	Federal	Grandparent/ Other Older Relative Caregiver	Grandparent/Other Older Relative Caregiver
SAMS Care Enrollment	State	Federal	Grandparent/ Other Older Relative Caregiver	Grandparent/Other Older Relative Caregiver
Caregiver (CG) Age	18 and over	18 and over	55 and over	55 and over
Care Receiver (CR) Age	60 and over OR 18 - 59 with Alzheimer's Disease or other chronic dementia	60 and over OR Under 18 with chronic dementia	Under age 18	18 - 59 with a non-dementia disability
Care Receiver Functional Need	1 ADL deficit OR 18-59 with documentation from a physician indicating a diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease or other chronic dementia with an irreversible decline in intellectual functioning and global loss of cognitive function	2 or more ADL deficits OR under 18 with documentation from a physician indicating a diagnosis of chronic dementia with an irreversible decline in intellectual functioning and global loss of cognitive function	N/A	Substantial limitation in 1 or more of the following areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • self-care • language • learning • mobility • self-direction • capacity for independent living • economic self-sufficiency • cognitive functioning • emotional adjustment
Caregiver Relationship to Care Receiver	Assumes primary responsibility for the provision of care CG is not required to be related to the CR by blood, marriage or adoption	Assumes primary responsibility for the provision of care CG is not required to be related to the CR by blood, marriage or adoption	Assumes primary responsibility for the provision of care CG is a relative of CR by blood, marriage, or adoption, but is not the biological parent CG has an informal or a legal relationship such as custody, guardianship, or is the child's adoptive parent	Assumes primary responsibility for the provision of care CG & CR are related by blood, marriage, or adoption including a biological parent

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Living Arrangement	Not required to live in the same household; both CG & CR must be residents of PA unless an exception is made by the AAA according to policy	Not required to live in the same household; both CG & CR must be residents of PA unless an exception is made by the AAA according to policy	CG & CR must reside in the same household & be residents of PA	CG & CR must reside in the same household & be residents of PA
Income	CR household income less than 380% of the Federal poverty level to qualify for reimbursement of expenses	CR household income less than 380% of the Federal poverty level to qualify for reimbursement of expenses	CR household income less than 380% of the Federal poverty level to qualify for reimbursement of expenses	CR household income less than 380% of the Federal poverty level to qualify for reimbursement of expenses
Care Plan Caps	\$200 Up to \$500 with documentation to justify need Max of one benefit per CG regardless of the number of CRs	\$200 Up to \$500 with documentation to justify need Max of one benefit per CG regardless of the number of CRs	\$200 Up to \$500 with documentation to justify need Max of one benefit per CG regardless of the number of CRs	\$200 Up to \$500 with documentation to justify need Max of one benefit per CG regardless of the number of CRs
Combining this program with OPTIONS Program	CG or CR may receive OPTIONS Program services if CG or CR is age 60+ and provided there is no duplication of services	CG or CR may receive OPTIONS Program services if CG or CR is age 60+ and provided there is no duplication of services	CG may receive OPTIONS Program services if they are age 60+	CG may receive OPTIONS Program services if they are age 60+
Combining this program with Medical Assistance Long Term Services and Supports (MA LTSS)	CG or CR cannot be receiving MA LTSS services	CG or CR cannot be receiving MA LTSS services	CG or CR cannot be receiving MA LTSS services	CG or CR cannot be receiving MA LTSS services