

TEFRA Option

**MA Benefits for
Disabled Children**





Purpose

The Tax Equity Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) option gives Medical Assistance (MA) eligibility to certain disabled children who live at home with their families.

Who is Eligible

In order to be eligible for MA through the TEFRA Option, the child must meet the following requirements:

- The child must be under age 18 and certified as disabled by the State Medical Review Team.
- The child would be able to get MA if he or she were in a medical institution.

What Medical Assistance Can Pay For

Medical Assistance pays for services that are medically necessary. The following is a list of some of the MA covered services. There are limits on some of the services. Parents may be required to pay a fee (co-pay) based on their income.

Inpatient hospital
Rural health clinic
Outpatient hospital
Physician
Emergency hospital Public Health Clinic
Inpatient psychiatric service
Other practitioners
Other laboratory and x-ray
Skilled nursing facility
Diagnostic Services
Intermediate care facility
Preventive Services
Intermediate care facilities for mentally retarded
Screening Services

Early and periodic screening, diagnosis and treatment for persons under age 21
Christian Science Sanatoria
Podiatrist
Optometrist
Physical therapy
Chiropractor
Occupational therapy
Dental
Speech, hearing, and language disorder
Family planning
Private duty nursing
Prosthetic devices
Personal care services
Dentures
Home Health Services
Eyeglasses
Rehabilitative services
Prescribed drugs (approved by The Dept. of Human Services)
Medical transportation
Medically necessary durable and non-durable supplies and equipment
Insurance premiums (if cost effective)
Case management for AIDS patients
Hospice
Case management for severe emotional disturbance and serious and persistent mental illness



How to Apply for Medical Assistance

Contact the human services agency in the county where you live. Tell them you want to apply for MA under the TEFRA Option.

Only the disabled child's income and assets are counted when deciding if the child is eligible. MA does not count the income and assets of the parent(s).

The county will ask for certain information that is needed to determine if the child is MA eligible. Included in the information will be questions about other income, payment



sources or insurance that could meet the health care needs of the child.

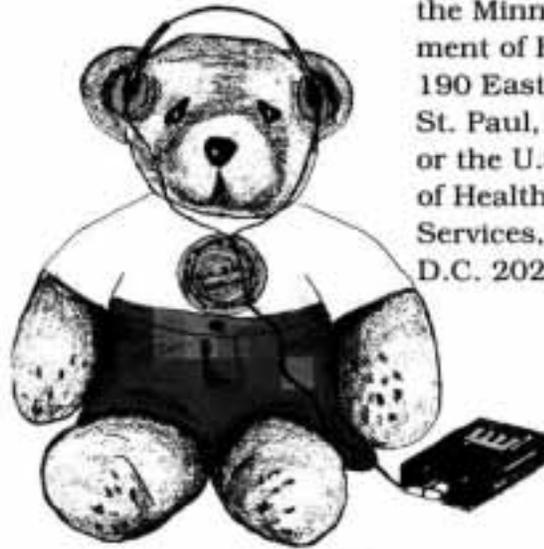
A decision about eligibility must be made in 60 days. If a decision has not been made, the county must tell you why, in writing.

Additional Questions

Any question about MA under the TEFRA Option may be directed to the TEFRA Option contact person in your county human services agency.

Your Rights

Any family has the right to apply for MA under the TEFRA Option. If a child is not determined eligible, the family may appeal the decision. An appeal hearing would be conducted at no cost to the family. You have the right to fair, non discriminatory treatment. Neither the Minnesota Department of Human Services nor county agencies may discriminate against anyone because of his or her race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, marital status, or because of physical, mental, or emotional disability. If you feel you were discriminated against for any of these reasons, you may file a complaint with the Minnesota Department of Human Services, 444 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155-3813;



the Minnesota Department of Human Rights, 190 East 5th Street, St. Paul, MN 55101; or the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, D.C. 20201.

This is important information. If you do not understand it have someone translate it for you now.

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Это важная информация. Если Вы её не понимаете, обратитесь за помощью немедленно.

If you ask, we will give you this information in another form, such as Braille, large print or audiotape.