



Minnesota Department of Human Services

*Minnesota Health Care Programs***Medical Assistance for Employed
Persons with Disabilities***This information is effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.*

Medical Assistance for Employed Persons with Disabilities (MA-EPD) allows working people with disabilities to qualify for Medical Assistance (MA) using higher income and asset limits.

MA-EPD encourages people with disabilities to work and enjoy the benefits of being employed.

Do I qualify for MA-EPD?

To qualify for MA-EPD, you must:

- Be certified disabled by the Social Security Administration (SSA) or the State Medical Review Team (SMRT)
- Be at least 16 but less than 65 years of age
- Be employed and have Social Security and Medicare taxes withheld or paid from earned income
- Have monthly earnings of more than \$65 (there is no upper income limit)
- Meet the MA-EPD asset limit
- Pay a premium
- Pay an unearned income obligation, if required.

What is the MA-EPD asset limit?

Assets are what you own, such as cash, savings accounts, and property where you do not live. The asset limit for MA-EPD is \$20,000.

Some assets that do not count are:

- Your home
- A mobile home used as your primary home

- Household goods, clothing and personal items
- One motor vehicle, under certain conditions
- Spouse's assets
- Retirement accounts
- A medical expense account set up through an employer
- Burial space items
- A prepaid burial fund up to \$1,500.

Will I have to pay for MA-EPD?

Yes. You will have to pay a premium based on your monthly income and household size.

- Your monthly premium will be \$35 or more.
- Only your income is counted. Your spouse's income is not counted for your premium.
- MA-EPD has no limit to how much income you can earn.
- MA-EPD has no maximum premium amount.

The premium amount is based on a sliding scale. The more income you have, the higher your premium is. Here are a couple examples for you.

- Joe is a single man. He earns \$792 a month and he receives monthly SSDI (unearned income) of \$327. His monthly MA-EPD premium is about \$36.
- Mary is in a family of 2. She earns \$2500 a month and she has no unearned income. Her monthly MA-EPD premium is about \$121.

You might have to pay an unearned income obligation. This is a small percent of unearned income you might get, such as Social Security.

What health care services are covered by MA-EPD?

If you are eligible for MA-EPD, the state will pay all or part of health care services, such as:

- Inpatient hospital services
- Medical equipment and supplies
- Personal care services
- Physical, occupational and speech therapy
- Physician and health clinic visits

If you have Medicare, or health insurance, MA-EPD may pay your portion of the insurance premiums.

What income information do I have to report for MA-EPD?

You must report the following within 10 days:

- Earned and unearned income changes
- Begin or end of a job or self-employment.

Your county worker will tell you what other information must be reported for MA-EPD.

Do I have to report earnings if I get benefits from other government programs?

You must report earnings for MA-EPD, and for benefits you receive from other government programs, such as Social Security, Food Support, subsidized housing, etc. Your earnings can cause these benefits to change. If you don't report your earnings, you may have an overpayment of benefits. You might have to pay that money back.

For more information about how working affects your benefits, contact the Minnesota Work Incentives Connection at (800) 976-6728 or (651) 632-5113.

Because of your earnings, you may need to file federal and state income tax returns. If you are self-employed, you may need to pay self-employment tax. If you are

not sure if you have to file an income tax return, or if you have questions, contact:

- A professional tax preparer
- The Internal Revenue Service
- The MN Department of Revenue.

How do I get more information about MA-EPD?

This brochure may help you decide if you want to apply for MA-EPD. But it does not cover all program rules. Your county agency will need all the facts about your situation to determine if you are eligible.

For more information, contact your county human services agency, or check the Web site at: www.dhs.state.mn.us/maepd.

Attention. If you want free help translating this information, ask your worker or call the number below for your language.

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Pažnja. Ako vam je potrebna besplatna pomoć za prevod ove informacije, pitajte vašeg radnika ili nazovite 1-888-234-3785.

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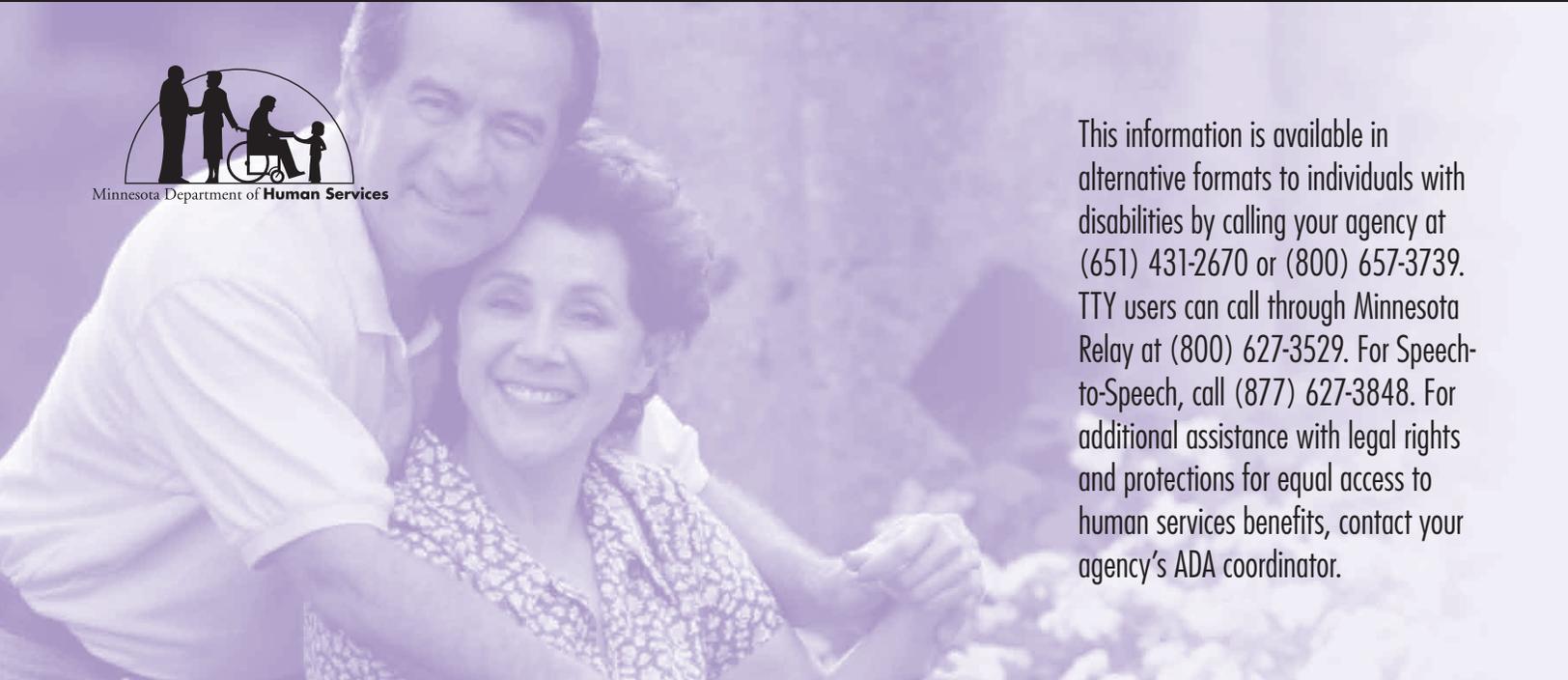
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