Long-term Care Programs Subject to Maintenance of Effort Requirements Department of Human Services, Continuing Care Administration

Program	Description	Description of MOE
Medical Assistance Programs		
MA-funded Services	In regard to long-term care services, MA pays for people eligible for MA that need skilled nursing visits, home health care aid visits, therapies, equipment, or supplies. It also funds PCA services. MA funds 24-hour care and supervision in a facility-based setting (NFs and ICF/MR). Services often include short term rehabilitation, sub-acute care, and memory care. Waiver services are also funded by MA. These include the DD, CADI, CAC, TBI and EW waivers.	The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 prohibits states from establishing Medicaid eligibility standards, methodologies and procedures that are more restrictive than those in place on March 23, 2010. This maintenance of effort (MOE) requirement applies to adults until the Health Insurance Exchange is fully operational (anticipated to be January 1, 2014), and to children under age 19 until October 1, 2019. A similar MOE applies under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), requiring maintenance of eligibility standards, methodologies and procedures that were in place on July 1, 2008. ICF/MR facilities must be available for services if waivers or other services are not available to the individual.
Grants		
Aging Caregiver Support Grants Aging Prescription Drug Grant	Grants to counties and nonprofit organizations to provide caregiver and respite services, support groups, and training in care giving. Grants to Area Agencies on Aging and Services providers to provide statewide outreach and education assistance to low income seniors regarding Medicare and supplemental insurance, including Medicare Part D.	For caregiver support services, there is an Older Americans Act (OAA) MOE that all federal and state funds that were in effect November 2000 are in an MOE. Caregiver support services are mandatory under the federal Older Americans Act. State Prescription Drug grants, Senior Nutrition, and Information and Assistance, serve as state match and MOE for mandated core services through the Area Agencies on Aging. These services are mandatory under the federal OAA. At least 25% of all expenditures under the OAA must be state funded and state funds must cover 10% of the cost
Senior Nutrition Grants	Grants to AAA and services providers to supplement federal funding to provide meals, and other related services in a congregate meal setting or to homebound seniors.	of direct services. This requires an MOE for match of additional funds.
Information and Assistance Grants	Grants to non-profit and community organizations and AAAs to provide information and assistance regarding homebased and community-based services.	