

## Medicare Buy-In programs

There are several Medicare Buy-In programs available to help people with premiums and/or deductibles associated with Medicare. The following chart shows the income limits per month to qualify for this program in 2006. Following the chart, the different programs are explained more in-depth.

2006 Federal Poverty Levels			
	100% QMB	120% SLMB	135% SLMB+
Group Size			
1	\$816.67	\$980.00	\$1102.50
2	\$1100.00	\$1320.00	\$1485.00

QMB- Qualified Medicare Beneficiary pays all Medicare premiums, co-pays and deductibles under both Part A and Part B.

SLMB- Medicaid pays for the full Medicare Part B premium.

SLMB+- Medicaid pays for the full Medicare Part B premium.

To find out for sure if you are eligible, or if you have questions on the coverage, you can contact your Economic Support Specialist in your county of residence.