



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA



37.81.304 AMOUNT OF THE BIG SKY RX BENEFIT

- (1) An applicant eligible for the Big Sky Rx PDP premium assistance may receive a benefit not to exceed \$41.50 per month. The benefit amount will not exceed \$41.50 regardless of the cost of the premium for the PDP the individual chooses.
 - (a) If a portion of the applicant's PDP premium is paid through the Extra Help Program, the Big Sky Rx Program will pay the applicant's portion of the PDP premium up to \$41.50 per month.
 - (b) Big Sky Rx does not pay for the cost of an enrollee's drugs or the cost of an enrollee's deductible, coinsurance, or copayments.
 - (c) All expenditures are contingent on legislative appropriation. The amount of the monthly benefit, \$41.50, extends the Social Security Extra Help benefit amount to Montana residents with income up to 200% FPL. The department's total expenditure for the program will be based on appropriation and the number of enrolled applicants.

Authorizing statute(s): 53-2-201, 53-6-1004, MCA

Implementing statute(s): 53-2-201, 53-6-1001, 53-6-1004, 53-6-1005, MCA

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