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# IMPORTANT CHANGES TO THE SPECIAL ASSISTANCE IN-HOME PROGRAM



## What is the Special Assistance In-Home Program?

NC's Special Assistance In-Home Program (SA-IH) helps with living expenses such as food, shelter, clothing, and other daily necessities. The checks are sent monthly to eligible individuals living at home.



### Eliminated Waitlist:

If you apply and are eligible, you will now be approved without delay.



### Doctors Form Required:

To apply for the SA-IH program, you will need your doctor to complete a FL2 form stating you require the level of care provided by an Adult Care Home.



### Increased Income Limit:

Income limits are now the same as traditional special assistance. Your spouse's income and assets will not affect your eligibility.



### Automatic Medicaid Eligibility:

If you are found eligible for the SA-IH Program, you will automatically receive Medicaid. With Medicaid, your doctor can request in-home services like personal care services.



### Higher Limits for Dementia or Alzheimer's Patients:

If you have been diagnosed with dementia or Alzheimer's disease, both the income limit and monthly payment amount is substantially higher.

**To apply for the SA-IH Program contact your local Department of Social Services (DSS).**

## FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE

If you are denied or if you would like to speak with a lawyer about your rights:

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800-489-6144