

**RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER  
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

**EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Title of Rule:** "Medicaid Long-Term Services and Supports: Financial Eligibility"

**Rule Identifier:** 210-RICR-50-00-6

**Rulemaking Action:** Proposed Amendment

**Important Dates:**

Date of Public Notice: May 18, 2026

End of Public Comment: June 17, 2026

**Rulemaking Authority:**

R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-7.2

R.I. Gen. Laws § 40-6

R.I. Gen. Laws § 40-8

**Summary of Rulemaking Action:**

This amendment aligns state regulations regarding financial eligibility for long-term services and supports (LTSS) with federal law. Specifically, the amendment removes the existing \$15,000 cap on pooled trusts, updates the transfer penalty divisor to adjust for inflation, and makes other technical and clarifying edits.

**Additional Information and Public Comments:**

All interested parties are invited to request additional information or submit written or oral comments concerning the proposed amendment until June 17, 2026 by contacting the appropriate party at the address listed below:

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In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, an oral hearing will be granted if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, by a governmental agency or by an association having at least twenty-five (25) members. A request for an oral hearing must be made within ten (10) days of the publication of this notice.

**Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:**

This update is required to ensure alignment with federal and state authorities and to clarify current practice. These changes maintain the integrity of the Rhode Island Medicaid program and preserve federal funding. For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation contact the agency point of contact. In the development of this proposed adoption, consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation contact the agency staffperson listed above.