

Community Spouse Allowance Worksheet

If you have a spouse in a nursing home on Medicaid, you may use this worksheet to ESTIMATE your monthly Community Spouse Allowance. Effective July 1, 2009.

Start with \$1,821.25*

ADD Shelter Hardship + \$_____

(Figure this out using the box below)

SUBTRACT monthly income - \$_____

This is the amount you may be able to keep of the interest from your assets or from your spouse's monthly income \$_____

Shelter Hardship	
Rent or mortgage	\$_____
Add property taxes	+ \$_____
Add property insurance	+ \$_____
Add condo fees	+ \$_____
Add standard for utilities	+ \$ <u>720.00</u>
Total shelter costs	= \$_____
Subtract shelter allowance	- \$ <u>546.37*</u>
This is your shelter hardship to use above.	\$

*Note: These figures are effective July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010
Remember, you or your representative must ask DSS for a "Fair Hearing" or go to court to get a higher community spouse allowance to meet your needs.