

**Nebraska Chronic Renal Disease Program**  
**Policy for Determining Income Verification**  
**and Household Size**



The Nebraska Chronic Renal Disease (CRD) Program is a client assistance program that provides payment for pharmaceutical products and dialysis services to eligible Nebraska residents diagnosed with End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD). Clients apply for the program through their dialysis social worker and must meet income, residency and citizenship guidelines.

**Income Verification**

When applying for the CRD Program, a client must submit proof of her/his income and proof of income for his/her spouse, if applicable.

Proof of income sources include the following:

- Page one (1) of the most recent **federal** income tax return.
  - The adjusted gross income amount is used to determine income.
- The most recent Social Security Disability or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefit statement.
  - The gross amount of benefits is used to determine income.
- The most recent Social Security Retirement, Survivor or Children Insurance benefits statement.
  - The gross amount of benefits is used to determine income.
- The most recent retirement or pension benefit statement (veterans, military and - commercial plans). -

If a child is listed as a dependent on the parent’s federal income tax return, the parent’s income is used to determine CRD Program eligibility for the child.

**Household Size**

Household size is defined as the individual CRD Program applicant – and anyone who is claimed as a dependent on the individual’s federal income tax return. If the individual does not file an income tax return and is not claimed as a dependent on a tax return, the household is the individual and the following (if they live with the individual):

- Spouse
- Natural, adopted and/or step-children under age 19.

If the applicant is a child, the household includes natural, adopted and/or step-parents and siblings/step-siblings (if applicable).

Household members must also be listed in the “Family members living in the home during the past year” area on the CRD Program application.

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