

256L.01 DEFINITIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Scope.** For purposes of this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings given them.

Subd. 1a. **Child.** "Child" means an individual under 21 years of age, including the unborn child of a pregnant woman, an emancipated minor, and an emancipated minor's spouse.

Subd. 2. **Commissioner.** "Commissioner" means the commissioner of human services.

Subd. 3. **Eligible providers.** "Eligible providers" means those health care providers who provide covered health services to medical assistance recipients under rules established by the commissioner for that program.

Subd. 3a. **Family with children.** (a) "Family with children" means:

- (1) parents and their children residing in the same household; or
- (2) grandparents, foster parents, relative caretakers as defined in the medical assistance program, or legal guardians; and their wards who are children residing in the same household.

(b) The term includes children who are temporarily absent from the household in settings such as schools, camps, or parenting time with noncustodial parents.

Subd. 4. [Repealed, 2009 c 173 art 3 s 26]

Subd. 4a. **Gross individual or gross family income.** (a) "Gross individual or gross family income" for nonfarm self-employed means income calculated for the 12-month period of eligibility using as a baseline the adjusted gross income reported on the applicant's federal income tax form for the previous year and adding back in depreciation, and carryover net operating loss amounts that apply to the business in which the family is currently engaged.

(b) "Gross individual or gross family income" for farm self-employed means income calculated for the 12-month period of eligibility using as the baseline the adjusted gross income reported on the applicant's federal income tax form for the previous year.

(c) "Gross individual or gross family income" means the total income for all family members, calculated for the 12-month period of eligibility.

Subd. 5. **Income.** (a) "Income" has the meaning given for earned and unearned income for families and children in the medical assistance program, according to the state's aid to families with dependent children plan in effect as of July 16, 1996. The definition does not include medical assistance income methodologies and deeming requirements. The earned income of full-time and part-time students under age 19 is not counted as income. Public assistance payments and supplemental security income are not excluded income.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision, and unless otherwise specified in this section, the commissioner shall use reasonable methods to calculate gross earned and unearned income including, but not limited to, projecting income based on income received within the past 30 days, the last 90 days, or the last 12 months.

History: 1986 c 444; 1987 c 403 art 2 s 63; 1988 c 689 art 2 s 137; 1989 c 282 art 3 s 33; 1990 c 568 art 3 s 14; 1992 c 549 art 4 s 2,19; 1993 c 345 art 9 s 1; 1998 c 407 art 5 s 7; 2000 c 444 art 2 s 5; 2002 c 374 art 10 s 13; 2005 c 98 art 2 s 15; 1Sp2005 c 4 art 8 s 55,56; 2007 c 147 art 5 s 18,19; 2009 c 173 art 3 s 18