

STATE OF VERMONT  
AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES

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**Department for Children and Families**

**BULLETIN NO.:** 21-16

**FROM:** Tricia Tyo, Deputy Commissioner  
Economic Services Division



**DATE:** 12/2/21

**SUBJECT:** Essential Persons Procedures

**CHANGES ADOPTED EFFECTIVE** 1/1/22

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Maintain Manual - See instructions below.**
- Proposed Regulation - Retain bulletin and attachments until you receive Manual Maintenance Bulletin: \_\_\_\_\_**
- Information or Instructions - Retain Until \_\_\_\_\_**

**MANUAL REFERENCE(S):**

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This bulletin revises standards for the Essential Person program as well as SSI/AABD payment maximums based on the federal cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for 2022.

Annual standards changes for health care programs can be found at [greenmountaincare.org](http://greenmountaincare.org). Should you have questions, please contact 1-800-250-8427.

**Manual Maintenance**

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**Essential Person Procedures**

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P-2740 Payment Maximums

A. SSI/AABD Payment Maximums (2700)

Living Arrangement	Effective 1/1/22			Effective 1/1/21 – 12/31/21			
		<i>SSI Share</i>	<i>AABD Share</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>SSI Share</i>	<i>AABD Share</i>	<i>Total</i>
Independent Living	Individual	\$841.00	\$52.04	\$893.04	\$794.00	\$52.04	\$846.04
	Couple	\$1,261.00	\$98.88	\$1,359.88	\$1,191.00	\$98.88	\$1,289.88
Another's Household	Individual	\$560.67	\$39.30	\$599.97	\$529.33	\$39.30	\$568.63
	Couple	\$840.67	\$48.31	\$888.98	\$794.00	\$48.31	\$842.31
Residential Care Home w/ Assistive Community Care Level III	Individual	\$841.00	\$48.38	\$889.38	\$794.00	\$48.38	\$842.38
	Couple	\$1,261.00	\$96.77	\$1,357.77	\$1,191.00	\$96.77	\$1,287.77
Residential Care Home w/ Limited Nursing Care Level III	Individual	\$841.00	\$267.13	\$1,108.13	\$794.00	\$267.13	\$1,061.13
	Couple	\$1,261.00	\$603.69	\$1,864.69	\$1,191.00	\$603.69	\$1,794.69
Residential Care Home Level IV	Individual	\$841.00	\$223.94	\$1,064.94	\$794.00	\$223.94	\$1,017.94
	Couple	\$1,261.00	\$562.06	\$1,823.06	\$1,191.00	\$562.06	\$1,753.06
Custodial Care Family Home	Individual	\$841.00	\$98.69	\$939.69	\$794.00	\$98.69	\$892.69
	Couple	\$1,261.00	\$332.82	\$1,593.82	\$1,191.00	\$332.82	\$1,523.82
Long-term Care	Individual	\$30.00	\$42.66	\$72.66	\$30.00	\$42.66	\$72.66
	Couple	\$60.00	\$85.33	\$145.33	\$60.00	\$85.33	\$145.33

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P-2740 Payment Maximums (Continued)

B. AABD-EP Payment Maximums (2754)

100 Percent Payment Maximum

Independent living with  
essential person

Effective 1/1/22

Effective 1/1/21 – 12/31/21

Individual	\$1,359.88	\$1,289.88
Couple	\$1,531.69	\$1,461.69
Living in another's household with ineligible spouse	\$893.04	\$846.04

67 Percent Payment Maximum

Independent living with  
essential person

Effective 1/1/22

Effective 1/1/21 – 12/31/21

Individual	\$1,205.82	\$1,143.41
Couple	\$1,474.99	\$1,404.99
Living in another's household with ineligible spouse	\$796.33	\$754.50

34 Percent Payment Maximum

Independent living with  
essential person

Effective 1/1/22

Effective 1/1/21 – 12/31/21

Individual	\$1,051.77	\$996.95
Couple	\$1,418.30	\$1,348.30
Living in another's household with ineligible spouse	\$699.61	\$662.95