

Medicaid Qualifying Trust Referral

Your request for Medicaid benefits was denied or your Medicaid eligibility ended because your monthly income and/or resources were too high.

You may become eligible for Medicaid by creating a Medicaid Qualifying Trust. There are three types of Medicaid Qualifying Trusts:

- Qualifying Income Trust (also known as a Miller Trust). A Qualifying Income Trust can be used by a person of any age when the person's monthly income is too high to qualify for Medicaid.
- Special Needs Trust. A Special Needs Trust can be used when a person's monthly income or resources are too high to qualify for Medicaid. It must be set up for a person who is disabled and under the age of 65.
- Pooled Trust. A Pooled Trust can be used when a person's monthly income or resources are too high to qualify for Medicaid. It is for a disabled person of any age, and must be established and managed by a non-profit agency.

A Medicaid Qualifying Trust must meet specific requirements and be irrevocable before it can be approved for Medicaid purposes. This is a permanent decision that needs careful consideration and requires legal counsel. You may contact Alaska Legal Services or the Alaska Bar Association for a referral to an attorney who specializes in Medicaid Law.