

### III. Information Systems

#### 3.1.030 Income Guidelines

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**POLICY:** The state agency (SA) shall implement the new income guidelines at the same time when MoHealthNet (Medicaid) implements the new income guidelines each year. The income guidelines will not exceed 185% of poverty level.

The local agency (LA) shall use the income calculator in the Missouri WIC Information Network System (MOWINS) to determine income eligibility for the program at certification and recertification.

#### PROCEDURES:

- A. The SA will assure that MOWINS is kept current with income guidelines changes each year.
- B. The SA will supply the LWP with copies of the income guidelines to use for assessment purposes when the data system is not available. Refer to [ER# 3.02000](#).
- C. The SA will post the income guidelines on the state WIC web site and also send the income guidelines to appropriate referral agencies as needed.
- D. When new applicants are prescreened, the LA can determine income eligibility at their initial inquiries using the income calculator in MOWINS.
- E. The LA may publish the specific income guidelines as part of their outreach efforts.