

# MISSISSIPPI DIVISION OF MEDICAID

## Eligibility Policy and Procedures Manual

CHAPTER 200 – Income: Aged, Blind and Disabled (ABD) Categories

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### **200.07.09F VA CLOTHING ALLOWANCE**

A lump sum clothing allowance is payable in August of each year to a veteran with a service-connected disability for which a prosthetic or orthopedic appliance, including a wheelchair, is used. The allowance is intended to help defray the increased cost of clothing due to wear and tear caused by the use of such appliances. A VA clothing allowance is not income for eligibility or Medicaid Income purposes.

### **200.07.09G PAYMENTS TO VETERANS' CHILDREN WITH CERTAIN BIRTH DEFECTS**

These VA payments are made to, or on behalf of, the natural children of veterans, regardless of age or marital status, who are in the following categories:

- Vietnam veterans' children for any disability resulting from spina bifida;
- Korea service veterans' children for any disability resulting from spina bifida;
- Women Vietnam veterans' children for certain birth defects.

These payments are excluded from income and resources. The interest earned on unspent funds is excluded effective July 2004.

**NOTE:** While individuals receiving these payments are children of veterans, many would not meet the SSI definition of "child". They may be applicants/recipients and/or have spouses or children who are applicants/recipients.