## INCOME AND MEDICAL INSURANCE

Funds to pay for medical expenses and to pay for our daily needs are important to all people. Most people prefer to work for a living so they can pay their bills. This option is not always available to people with a disability. The following programs can offer full or partial benefits to ensure enough money for a person to live and/or medical benefits to ensure good health.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE: (PA) Provides monthly income, food stamps and medical benefits for people who meet economic guidelines. The program is administered through the County Department of Social Services.

SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (SSI): A public assistance program administered through the Social Security Administration, which provides a monthly income and Medicaid for people who are over 65, blind or disabled and who have limited resources and insufficient work credits to qualify for Social Security benefits.

SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY INSURANCE (SSDI): Insurance payments made monthly to persons who are disabled and who can no longer work. The monthly amount is determined by Social Security contributions made while working. SSDI recipients are eligible for Medicare after receiving benefits for 2 years.

MEDICAID: Medical insurance provided for those who meet economic guidelines or who receive SSI. The program is administered through the County Department of Social Services.

PRIVATE INSURANCE: Insurance paid for by an individual or received as a benefit from employment to cover health and medical costs.

AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN (AFDC)

WIC: Women, Infants, and children: voucher program for early nutrition training.

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DSS: Department of Social Services located in each county seat.

	PA	SSI	SSDI	Medicaid	Prv. Ins.	AFDC	WIC	Cham.
Ontario DSS	V			V		V		
Wayne DSS	V			V		V		
Seneca DSS	V			V		V		
Yates DSS				V		V		
Local Chamber				·			V	
Social Sec Administration		V	V	V	·			
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<sup>\*</sup> Through OMRDD Family support services offers Family Reimbursement funds to offset costs of goods and services for families i.e. goods and services not otherwise covered by insurance or other sources.