



GEORGIA MEDICAID PLANNING CHECKLIST

FOR LONG-TERM CARE FOR YOU OR YOUR LOVED ONE



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It is essential to plan for long-term care for you or a loved one when entering your golden years. Medicaid planning is a vital part of safeguarding your financial security for your family. Qualifying for Georgia Medicaid can mean the difference between leaving a legacy for your family or spending down all your hard-earned assets on the high cost of long-term care. This can include nursing home care or in-home care.

What is Medicaid?

Medicaid is a program that provides health coverage for millions of Americans, including eligible low-income adults, adults with disabilities, and elderly adults who need long-term care. The program is administered by each state according to federal requirements and funded by both state and federal governments. Some mandatory benefits include nursing facility services, home health services, inpatient hospital services, and outpatient hospital services. Some benefits are optional and vary from state to state.

Who is Eligible for Medicaid?

Medicaid eligibility varies from state to state but is generally based on household income, family size, age, disability, and other factors. At The Law Office of Keith R. Miles, LLC, we can assess whether Medicaid might be an appropriate option for you or your loved one and help you build a Medicaid plan for your future healthcare needs.

Medicaid Proactive Planning

Medicaid Proactive Planning is the ideal scenario for people planning for long-term care who want

to pass on as much wealth as possible to their loved ones. Planning ahead can save time and money when you need it most. Instead of spending your life savings on expensive nursing home care, you could save substantial assets by planning well in advance of long-term care needs. We plan around the average need for Medicaid benefits being between 60 months or five years. The Law Office of Keith R. Miles, LLC can help you create a strategic Medicaid plan to help you preserve your assets for your loved ones while planning for your long-term care.

Medicaid Crisis Planning

Sometimes Medicaid Proactive Planning is not an option, such as when you or your spouse are suddenly incapacitated, already receiving in-home care, or living in a nursing home. In these situations, you need Medicaid quickly, which can be a daunting process in an already difficult time, especially while also caring for your loved one. Seeking caring, experienced counsel from The Law Office of Keith R. Miles, LLC is a major step toward qualifying for Medicaid coverage for you or your loved one.



Medicaid Checklist

We can help you build a Medicaid plan for future healthcare needs instead of spending your life savings on nursing home or in-home care. This Medicaid Planning Checklist can help you or a loved one identify the necessary qualification steps. Reach out for a consultation with The Law Office of Keith R. Miles, LLC for answers to questions that help ensure your assets are protected while getting the Medicaid coverage you need.



Do you meet the below criteria for Medicaid benefits? Yes No Unsure

- Are you over the age of 65?
- Are you blind or disabled?
- Do you have a child, parent, or spouse in your household who is blind or disabled?
- Are you able to take care of yourself without the assistance of others?

Is your monthly income below the household income limit (before taxes \$2,742 a month in 2023 for the individual seeking Medicaid)? Yes No Unsure

Do you have more than \$2,000 in assets? Yes No Unsure

Do you have long-term care insurance? Yes No Unsure

Do you have coverage for nursing home care? Yes No Unsure

Can you afford nursing home care or other medical costs? Yes No Unsure

Do you have assets you want to protect for your spouse and/or other family members? Yes No Unsure

Would you be interested in having an irrevocable trust established to help preserve your assets for other family members? Yes No Unsure

Whether you answered YES, NO, or UNSURE to any of the above questions, we are here for you!

We all have to take responsibility and plan for ourselves and possibly someone else for long-term care. We should anticipate we will need this help. Medicaid is a reality for many people. The sooner you plan for the possibility of that need, the greater flexibility and control you will have.

You have unique health care needs, and your Medicaid planning should be unique as well. The Law Office of Keith R. Miles, LLC can help you, or a loved one, address your health care needs while seeking Medicaid coverage for long-term care. We can ensure your assets are not spent down on the cost of care but are protected for your family.

Contact us today! We welcome the opportunity to discuss your Medicaid planning needs.



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