



State of New Hampshire Cost-of-Living Increase For 2017

The State of New Hampshire will increase the Standard of Need (SON) in 2017.

Old Age Assistance (OAA), Aid to the Needy Blind (ANB) and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled (APTD) Standard of Need (SON) will increase in 2017.

The Standard of Need (SON) is the maximum amount someone on OAA, ANB and APTD can receive if they have no other income. The SON is also important in calculating how a person's cash payment is affected when they work. If you receive APTD and want to know how this applies to your situation, call the Financial Planning for Employment (FPE) program.

Maximum Cash Benefit

	2017
Individual	\$749
Couple	\$1,104

For more information about benefits through the State of New Hampshire visit Division of Health & Human Services website at

<http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/index.htm>

For individuals in a residential care facility or a community residence, the Standard of Need is higher. Contact your local Area Agency for more information.

The resource limits for APTD cash benefits will remain the same (\$1,500). The resource limit for APTD Medical Assistance only will also remain the same (\$2,500 for an individual; \$4,000 for a couple)

Contact the Financial Planning for Employment (FPE) Program at GSIL regarding any questions you have about working and your APTD/ANB benefits.

**Call Toll Free:
1-877-809-7028**

When applying for APTD, a person's countable earned income must be below Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA) Level.

The SGA limit for people with disabilities will increase from \$1,130 per month to \$1,170 in 2017.

SGA for People Who Are Blind

The SGA limit for people who are blind will be \$1,950 per month in 2017.

The Nursing Facility CAP will increase in 2017. The Nursing Facility cap is used to determine eligibility for Choices for Independence (CFI) and Home & Community Based Care (HCBC) Services for the categorically-needy. The CAP will increase to \$2,205 in 2017.