

	Addictive and Mental Disorders Division Severe and Disabling Mental Illness, Home and Community Based Services Waiver Manual
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Definition

Third Party Liability (TPL) refers to the legal obligation of third parties (for example, certain individuals, entities, insurers, or programs) to pay part or all of the expenditures for medical assistance. By law, all other available third-party resources must meet their legal obligation to pay claims before the Severe and Disabling Mental Illness (SDMI) waiver program pays for the care of an individual eligible for Medicaid. The SDMI waiver is the payor of last resort.

Requirements

- (1) If a third-party source is known to the provider, the provider must bill the third party before billing SDMI waiver and indicate any amount received from the third party on the Medicaid claim.
- (2) Providers must submit a copy of the statement of payment or denial from the resource when billing for any balance.
- (3) For information about how to submit claims, please refer to: <http://medicaidprovider.mt.gov/> or Provider Relations at: 1.800.624.3958 or 406.442.1837.
- (4) The department may:
 - (a) request the provider demonstrate that third-party payment was not available for such services;
 - or
 - (b) allow a self-certification by the provider.