

# 1. About New Mexico Telephone Assistance Program (NMTAP)

The NMTAP discount is a state benefit that lowers the monthly cost of phone service.

## Rules

If you qualify, your household can get the New Mexico Telephone Assistance Program (NMTAP) for your phone. Your household cannot get NMTAP from more than one phone company.

You are only allowed to get one NMTAP benefit per household, **not per person**. If more than one person in your household gets NMTAP, you are breaking the rules and will lose your benefit.

## What is a household?

A household is a group of people who live together and share income and expenses (even if they are not related to each other).

## Do not give your benefit to another person

The NMTAP is non-transferable. You cannot give your NMTAP benefit to another person, even if they qualify.

You must give accurate and true information on this form and on all NMTAP related forms or questionnaires. If you give false or fraudulent information, you will lose your NMTAP benefit (i.e., de-enrollment or being barred from the program).

## Documentation of Eligibility

You will need to show an official document to prove your participation in the Medicaid program. You must submit copies of your official documents with this application.

Provide a copy of one of the following:

1. A copy of a program award letter or government agency document containing your name, your address, the program name and the **effective date of the award**.
2. Only program cards that display your name, your address or state, program name and effective date will be accepted.
3. Income:
  - a. Last year's Federal or State Income Tax Return
  - b. Current Annual Income Statement from Employer
  - c. Paycheck stubs or other official document containing income information for any three consecutive months within the last twelve months
  - d. Social Security Statement of Benefits
  - e. Veteran's Administration Statement of Benefits
  - f. Retirement or Pension Statement of Benefits
  - g. Unemployment or Worker's Compensation Statement of Benefits
  - h. Letter of Participation in General Assistance
  - i. Divorce Decree or Child Support Documentation containing income information
  - j. Bank Statement is not valid proof of income.

## Apply

To apply for a New Mexico Telephone Assistance Program, fill out every section of this form and return to:

CenturyLink  
555 Lake Border Dr  
Apopka, FL 32703

FAX: 402-998-7341  
Customer Service: 888-833-9522  
Email: TAPCenter@Centurylink.com



### 3. Qualify for Lifeline

Fill out this section to show that you, your dependent, or someone in your household qualifies for Lifeline.

You can qualify through some government assistance programs or through your income (you do not need to qualify through both).

#### Qualify through a government program:

Check all programs that you have:

	National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program
	Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

#### Qualify through your income:

Including you, how many people live in your household? (check one)	Is your income the same or less than the amount listed for your state and household size? (only check yes or no next to your household size)		
Persons in Family/Household	Poverty Guidelines at 150% of the Federal Poverty		
1	\$21,870	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
2	\$29,580	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
3	\$37,290	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
4	\$45,000	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
5	\$52,710	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
6	\$60,420	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
7	\$68,130	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
8	\$75,840	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
If more than 8, add this amount for each person: Number in Household: _____	\$7,710	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

## 4. Agreement

I agree, under penalty of perjury, to the following statements:

*You must initial next to each statement.*

  
Initial

I currently get benefits from the government program(s) listed on this form or my annual household income is 150% or less than the Federal Poverty Guidelines (the amount listed in the Federal Poverty Guidelines table on this form).

  
Initial

I agree that if I move I will give my service provider my new address within 30 days.

  
Initial

I understand that I must tell my service provider within 30 days if I do not qualify for the New Mexico Telephone Assistance Program (NMTAP) anymore, including:

- 1) I do not qualify through Medicaid.
- 2) I get more than one NMTAP benefit.

  
Initial

I know that my household can only get one NMTAP benefit and, to the best of my knowledge, my household is not getting more than one NMTAP benefit.

  
Initial

All the answers and agreements that I provided on this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

  
Initial

I know that willingly giving false or fraudulent information to get NMTAP benefits is punishable by law and can result in fines, jail time, de-enrollment, or being barred from the program.

  
Initial

My service provider may have to check whether I still qualify at any time. If I need to recertify (renew) my NMTAP Benefit, I understand that I must respond by the deadline or I will be removed from the NMTAP Program and my NMTAP benefit will stop.

  
Initial

I was truthful about whether or not I am a resident of Tribal lands, as defined in section 2 of this form.

I consent to let CenturyLink contact me at my phone number for important reminders and updates to my service.

**Signature**

**Today's Date**