

## Part 2. Long-Term Care Partnership.

### § 58-55-55. Definitions.

The following definitions apply in this section:

- (1) Asset. – Resources and income.
- (2) Department. – The Department of Health and Human Services.
- (3) Division. – The Division of Health Benefits.
- (4) Estate recovery. – The placing of a statutory claim on the estate of a deceased Medicaid recipient, as provided by G.S. 108A-70.5.
- (5) Medicaid. – The federal medical assistance program established under Title XIX of the Social Security Act.
- (6) Qualified long-term care partnership policy or qualified policy. – A long-term care insurance policy approved for use in North Carolina and that meets all the requirements of the federal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, P.L. 109-171.
- (7) Resource. – Cash or its equivalent and real or personal property that is available to an applicant or recipient.
- (8) Resource disregard. – The amount of resources of an applicant for long-term care Medicaid that is equal to the amount of benefits paid to the applicant under a qualified long-term care partnership policy.
- (9) Resource protection. – An amount equal to the resource disregard given to a Medicaid recipient during the long-term care Medicaid eligibility determination process. (2010-68, s. 4; 2019-81, s. 15(a).)