# **Summary Report**

### State Supplemental Payments for Children with Disabilities

State supplemental program (SSP) laws establish the legal parameters individuals with disabilities must satisfy to be deemed eligible for and to receive state supplementation. SSP benefits help families achieve stability, security, and better health outcomes for children with disabilities by providing monthly cash assistance for vital necessities such as shelter, food, and clothing. The main components of SSP laws across 51 jurisdictions highlight the availability of SSP programs to children with disabilities, payment amount information and income thresholds.

Between 2004 through 2007, a trend occurred consisting of an increase in new SSP program offerings. However, the availability of SSP programs to children with disabilities remained relatively stagnant, only increasing in two states during the entire project period. Learn more at <a href="www.lawatlas.org">www.lawatlas.org</a>.



### **Availability of Optional SSP Programs – Over Time**

In 1996, 39 states offered state supplementation payments in addition to the federal SSI benefit. As of November 1, 2018, 45 states offered SSP supplementation.

Jurisdictions (as of 11/1/18): 45 (AL, AK, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MO, MT, NE,

NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WI, WY)



#### Availability of SSP Programs to Children - Over Time

In 1996, 21 states with SSP programs made them available to children with disabilities. As of November 1, 2018, this number increased to 23 states.

Jurisdictions (as of 11/1/18): 23 (CA, CO, HI, ID, IL, IA, KY, ME, MA, MI, MT, NE, NJ, NY, OK, OR, PA, RI, UT, VT, WA, WI, WY)



## Availability of SSP Payment Amount Information – Over Time

In 1996, 10 states had explicit information on the SSP payment amount in the law. As of November 1, 2018, 18 states provided explicit information.

Jurisdictions (as of 11/1/18): 18 (CA, CO, HI, ID, IL, IA, KY, ME, MA, MT, NY, OK, PA, RI, UT, VT, WA, WI)