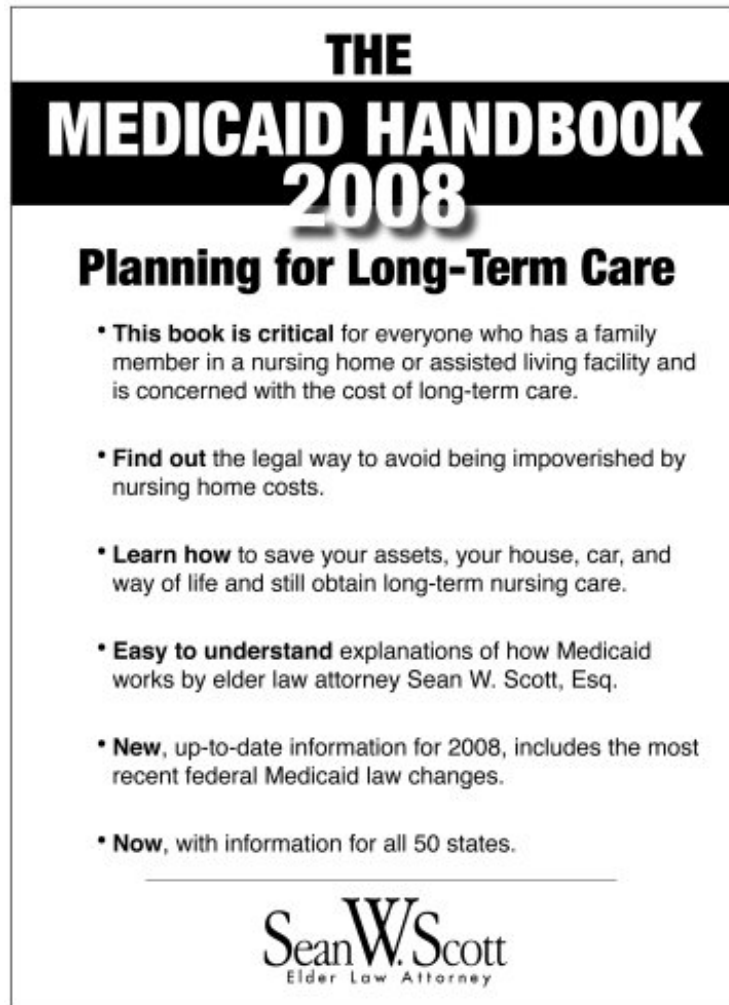


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The Medicaid Handbook - 2008 edition, by elder law attorney Sean W. Scott, provides valuable information and guidance on using Medicaid to pay for nursing home care. The Medicaid Handbook explains the complex Medicaid eligibility process in simple, easy-to-understand language. It contains illustrations and diagrams of key concepts and areas of interest including income trusts, spousal diversion and look-back periods. The text describes the legal ways to avoid being impoverished by the costs of nursing home care and still qualify for benefits. The reader will learn how to overcome the barriers to accessing the Medicaid program in order to protect their savings, their house, car, and way of life. This guide makes simple the complex subject of how to qualify for nursing home Medicaid. The 2008 edition contains up-to-date information as well as the most recent federal Medicaid law changes. It contains specific information on Medicaid's financial eligibility requirements for all 50 states. (Note, this is an updated version of the previous 2007 edition.)

The United States Supreme Court accurately described Medicaid as among the most intricate... Byzantine texts ever drafted by Congress. The renowned Justice Henry Friendly called the Social Security Act almost unintelligible to the uninitiated and another famed appellate court famously stated that the statutes and regulations are among the most completely impenetrable texts within human experience. In this text, Elder Law Attorney Sean W. Scott has succeeded in the impossible by explaining, in plain English, how Medicaid applies to ordinary Americans. Medicaid is the primary government program covering long-term care for Americans. Without it, many of us, our parents, grandparents and friends would be without care at end of life. Yet in America, our system does not provide long-term care for all. The system only pays for long-term care when a person is down to \$2,000 in assets. Because the cost of home care, assisted living and nursing home care is so high, most people cannot afford to pay without becoming impoverished. After spending down to the Medicaid poverty limits, these middle-class and upper-middle-class Americans are now solely reliant on government aid, having no money left to pay for everything the government will not cover. Because money buys care, these people now struggle to maintain quality care and quality of life. The purpose of this text is to provide a starting point for families to plan for the future and to provide solace and direction for those who come to it at time of crisis. The good news is that there are solutions and Sean W. Scott presents them in this book. Generous with his knowledge, he shares potentially life-changing information with you. In this text, Sean W. Scott takes complicated state and federal rules and laws and explains it in a believe it or not an easy to understand and even fun format. In order to succeed in achieving the highest level of care and the highest quality of life, you must become educated in how the system works. Use this text on Medicaid to start you off, always keeping in mind your end-game to achieve the highest level of care and the highest quality of life. The information contained in this book can save tens or hundreds of thousands of dollars but more than money, it represents what that money can buy quality of care and quality of life. Scott M. Solkoff, Esq. JANUARY 2008 Delray Beach, Florida --Scott M. Solkoff, Esq., Former Chair Elder Law Section, Florida Bar