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Differentiate Countable vs. non-countable assets
Deal with the caretaker child exception, related rules, and recent fair hearing decisions
Medicaid liens operate and how they can actually be a good thing
The five year look back period operates and related exceptions vs. the penalty period;
Special needs trusts and sole benefit trusts operations
Get a family worth \$2 million eligible for Medicaid last minute when one spouse gets sick.

Drafting & Taxation of Irrevocable Income Only Trusts: Come learn How To:

Draft irrevocable trusts to withstand MassHealth's scrutiny;
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Recent Fair Hearing Decisions and Court Cases that support irrevocable trusts,
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Eligibility operations memo 20-04
How the Limited Power of Appointment operates.
Grantor trust rules for income tax purposes
26 U.S.C. section 1014 (a) and step up in basis works with these trusts
Gift tax consequences of these trusts 26 CFR Section 25.2511(c)
Estate tax consequences of these trusts including drafting of the marital and remainder shares
to both protect assets and shelter for estate taxes;
Eligibility operations memo 19-12 re-defining calculation of life estates, remainder values, etc

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How trust and transfer rules apply to testamentary trusts, how to draft them, and how they operate.
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