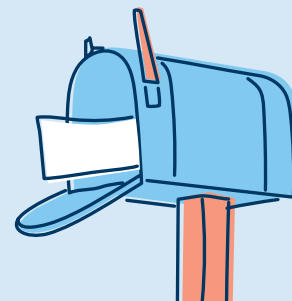


Renewing your Medicaid benefits



Getting started

Every year, you'll have to renew Medicaid benefits for you or your child. You'll get a **renewal packet in the mail** with forms to fill out. It will come 30 days before it's due.

You can also renew online or over the phone 60 days before your due date. To find your renewal date, visit dhs.pa.gov/COMPASS or use the free myCOMPASS PA mobile app. If you want to renew by phone, call 1-866-550-4355.

There are some easy steps you'll need to take to renew. As long as you still fall within the eligibility guidelines, you'll qualify for coverage again.



[Learn how to renew your benefits.](#)

Other coverage options

If you or your child are no longer eligible for Medicaid, you have options:

Your eligibility information will be provided to Pennie®, PA's official health insurance marketplace (ACA) and you will receive a letter with your Pennie account, available savings, and a shopping deadline. To avoid a gap in coverage, enroll within the first 60 days.

Highmark Blue Shield and its affiliated companies offer plenty of other low-cost plans to choose from. Both our Individual and Family plans through Pennie and Children's Health Insurance Plan (CHIP) offer affordable coverage and great benefits.

For individual and family plans, visit pennie.com or call 1-844-844-8040, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

For CHIP plans, visit dhs.pa.gov/CHIP or call 1-800-986-KIDS (5437), Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.



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Your Medicaid basics



This guide goes over what Medicaid is, the steps for qualifying and enrolling, and how to renew your benefits.

Getting to know Medicaid

Medicaid is a government program that ensures everyone has access to the health coverage they need. Many people qualify for Medicaid, including families with low-incomes and individuals, children, and some people with disabilities.

Your coverage, as well as coverage for your child, will include doctor and hospital visits, prescriptions, and lab work. And you won't have to pay a lot. Your health care will be provided at little or no cost to you.



Learn more about Medicaid.
Or call 866-550-4355.

Qualifying

To see if you're eligible, visit dhs.pa.gov/COMPASS. You'll have to gather some paperwork to make sure you qualify. You'll also answer questions about your income, any children you might have, and your living situation.

Enrolling in your plan

Once you're approved, you'll get a letter that has your ACCESS number. To enroll in the plan you want, or if you need help finding a doctor, call a PA Enrollment Services representative at 1-800-440-3989, or visit enrollnow.net.



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