Changes to Medicaid are Coming

If you are enrolled in a Consolidated, Community Living, P/FDS, or Adult Autism waiver, **these changes do not affect you.**

If you are not enrolled in a waiver, or you care for someone with a disability, **these changes may affect you.**



The Federal government is requiring some people who have Medicaid to either work, go to school, help in the community, or get job training to keep their Medicaid (known as 'work requirements').

Work requirements may not apply to some people if they meet certain conditions (known as 'being exempt' from the rule). For example, if you have a disability or are a parent or caregiver of someone with a disability, you may be exempt from work requirements. The full list of exemptions are on the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (PA DHS) Changes Coming to Medicaid in Pennsylvania Webpage. You can also find out more by calling the HR1 FAQ Line at 1-877-883-6383.

- **In September 2026:** If you have Medicaid and received a letter regarding work requirements in the mail, you must either meet the work requirements or provide information that you are exempt. See what the letter looks like.
- **Starting January 1, 2027:** When you get a notice to renew Medicaid, you will need to answer additional questions. The questions will help determine if you meet work requirements or if you are exempt. The letter you will receive with the renewal packet will explain what information you will need to provide. Make sure you complete the renewal and provide necessary information.
  If you do not provide required information showing that you meet the work requirements or are exempt, you may lose Medicaid.

What Do You Need to Do?

- Make sure your address, phone number, and email are correct in COMPASS. Log in to COMPASS at dhs.pa.gov/COMPASS or the myCOMPASS PA mobile app.
  - If you cannot access COMPASS, you can update your contact information by calling the Customer Service Center at 1-877-395-8930 or 1-215-560-7226 in Philadelphia.
- If you moved within the last year or two, make sure the US Postal Service has your current address. To make sure you receive all your mail, go to USPS.com/move.
- Sign up for texts and emails at dhs.pa.gov/text. Open and read every letter, email, and text message you receive from the Department of Human Services and your health plan.



Renewing Medicaid Every 6 Months

Starting January 1, 2027: Some adults (between ages 19-64) will need to have their Medicaid checked every six months instead of every year.

If you receive services through the Office of Developmental Programs (ODP), it is very important for you to keep your Medicaid. Respond immediately if you are asked to renew your Medicaid or are asked to provide information.

For more information on Medicaid for ODP services, please see ODP Announcement 25-097.