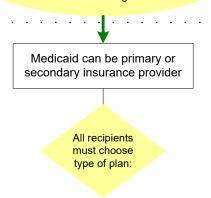


MEDICAID

A jointly funded entitlement program of federal and state governments. Medicaid offers federal matching funds to states for costs incurred in paying health care providers for serving covered individuals. There is only one Medicaid program; however, there are many ways of qualifying for Medicaid. Eligibility for this program is determined annually. Children (0-21) enrolled in Medicaid receive more comprehensive benefits than adults receiving Medicaid.

Benefit of Medicaid for Children: The Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) Program is the a federal benefits package for Medicaid-eligible children, which expands state Medicaid benefits. It's required in every state and is designed to improve the health of low-income children and children with disabilities by financing appropriate and necessary pediatric services.

To receive EPSDT benefits, work through your primary physician or pediatrician.



Contact Medicaid to select a specific type of plan.

НМО

Default, managed care plan. All Medicaid HMO recipients use Denver Health as they are the only provider in HMO program.

Primary Care Physician

One provider serves as primary care physician, making referrals to other providers in the PCP network.

Fee-for-service

Plan with freedom to see any Medicaid doctor without first receiving approval from another doctor.

Most Restrictive

Least Restrictive

MEDICAID APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR CHILDREN

Although these illustrate different methods of qualifying for Medicaid, all methods result in the same Medicaid benefits.

Low-Income

0-133% of federal poverty level. Apply through DHS.

Supplemental Security Income Recipients

All people who receive \$1 or more from SSI

Adoption or Foster Care

through DHS

CO Waivers

Waives income requirement. Can not be eligible any other way

- Apply to county
 Department of
 Human Services or
 community sites.
- 2. Complete Medicaid application
- Enrollment letter and identification card sent
- 4. Choose type of plan
- Reapply yearly based on income qualifications

- 1. Apply to Social Security office. (800) 772-1213
- 2. Complete SSI application and be found eligible for SSI benefits, based on:
 - a) income screen
 - b) level of disability
- Complete Medicaid application, indicating on application that eligibility stems from SSI benefits
- 4. Enrollment letter and identification card sent
- 5. Choose type of plan
- 6. Reapply yearly.
 - a) Under 18: looks at parent income
 - b) 18+: uses child's income

- Managed by
 Department of
 Human Services
- All children in child welfare system are automatically eligible for Medicaid
- Children in foster care continue to receive Medicaid if placed in a home
- Children adopted from child welfare system receive Medicaid unless benefit is declined during adoption process.
- If adoptive parents do not elect to keep Medicaid benefit, full application process is required to redetermine eligibility.

- Apply to county
 Department of Human
 Services (DHS) or
 county Community
 Centered Board
 (CCB). Ex: DDRC for
 Jefferson County
 residents.
- 2. CCB or DHS
 administers in-home
 screening to
 determine level of
 care needs (ULTC100.2). Must be
 shown to be at risk for
 hospitalization or
 nursing home eligible.
- Complete Medicaid application, indicating on application that eligibility is based on waiver requirements
- 4. Wait for slot to become available on service list.
- Re-screen level of care to verify still eligibile
- 6. Enrollment letter and identification card sent
- 7. Choose type of plan
- 8. Reapply yearly. Repeat entire process.