



## Human Resources... Employee Focused... For the Children

### **Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 (CHIP)**

Effective April 1, 2009, employees and dependents that are eligible for healthcare coverage under the health plan, but are not enrolled, will be permitted to enroll in the plan if they lose eligibility for Medicaid or CHIP coverage or become eligible for premium assistance subsidy under Medicaid or CHIP.

Individuals must request coverage under the plan within 60 days of the loss of Medicaid or CHIP coverage or the determination of eligibility for a premium assistance subsidy.

CHIPRA allows states to offer eligible low-income children and their families a premium assistance subsidy to help pay for employer-sponsored coverage. If this state offers a premium assistance subsidy, you will be notified in writing of the potential opportunities available for premium assistance in the plan year after model notices are issued.

## Premium Assistance under Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

If you or your children are eligible for Medicaid or CHIP and you are eligible for health coverage from your employer, your State may have a premium assistance program that can help pay for coverage. These States use funds from their Medicaid or CHIP programs to help people who are eligible for these programs, but also have access to health insurance through their employer. If you or your children are not eligible for Medicaid or CHIP, you will not be eligible for these premium assistance programs.

If you or your dependents are already enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP and you live in a State listed below, you can contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office to find out if premium assistance is available.

If you or your dependents are NOT currently enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP, and you think you or any of your dependents might be eligible for either of these programs, you can contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office or dial 1-877-KIDS NOW or [www.insurekidsnow.gov](http://www.insurekidsnow.gov) to find out how to apply. If you qualify, you can ask the State if it has a program that might help you pay the premiums for an employer-sponsored plan.

Once it is determined that you or your dependents are eligible for premium assistance under Medicaid or CHIP, as well as eligible under your employer plan, your employer must permit you to enroll in your employer plan if you are not already enrolled. This is called a "special enrollment" opportunity, and you must request coverage within 60 days of being determined eligible for premium assistance. If you have questions about enrolling in your employer plan, you can contact the Department of Labor electronically at [www.askebsa.dol.gov](http://www.askebsa.dol.gov) or by calling toll-free 1-866-444-EBSA (3272).

If you live in one of the following States, you may be eligible for assistance paying your employer health plan premiums. The following list of States is current as of July 31, 2013. You should contact your State for further information on eligibility –

<b>ALABAMA – Medicaid</b>	<b>COLORADO – Medicaid</b>
Website: <a href="http://www.medicaid.alabama.gov">http://www.medicaid.alabama.gov</a> Phone: 1-855-692-5447	Medicaid Website: <a href="http://www.colorado.gov/">http://www.colorado.gov/</a> Medicaid Phone (In state): 1-800-866-3513 Medicaid Phone (Out of state): 1-800-221-3943
<b>ALASKA – Medicaid</b>	
Website: <a href="http://health.hss.state.ak.us/dpa/programs/medicaid/">http://health.hss.state.ak.us/dpa/programs/medicaid/</a> Phone (Outside of Anchorage): 1-888-318-8890 Phone (Anchorage): 907-269-6529	
<b>ARIZONA – CHIP</b>	<b>FLORIDA – Medicaid</b>
Website: <a href="http://www.azahcccs.gov/applicants">http://www.azahcccs.gov/applicants</a> Phone (Outside of Maricopa County): 1-877-764-5437 Phone (Maricopa County): 602-417-5437	Website: <a href="https://www.flmedicaidtprecovery.com/">https://www.flmedicaidtprecovery.com/</a> Phone: 1-877-357-3268
	<b>GEORGIA – Medicaid</b>
	Website: <a href="http://dch.georgia.gov/">http://dch.georgia.gov/</a> Click on Programs, then Medicaid, then Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) Phone: 1-800-869-1150

<b>IDAHO – Medicaid and CHIP</b>	<b>MONTANA – Medicaid</b>
<p>Medicaid Website:  <a href="http://www.accesstohealthinsurance.idaho.gov">www.accesstohealthinsurance.idaho.gov</a>            Medicaid Phone: 1-800-926-2588            CHIP Website: <a href="http://www.medicaid.idaho.gov">www.medicaid.idaho.gov</a>            CHIP Phone: 1-800-926-2588</p>	<p>Website: <a href="http://medicaidprovider.hhs.mt.gov/clientpages/clientindex.shtml">http://medicaidprovider.hhs.mt.gov/clientpages/clientindex.shtml</a>            Phone: 1-800-694-3084</p>
<b>INDIANA – Medicaid</b>	<b>NEBRASKA – Medicaid</b>
<p>Website: <a href="http://www.in.gov/fssa">http://www.in.gov/fssa</a>            Phone: 1-800-889-9949</p>	<p>Website: <a href="http://www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov">www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov</a>            Phone: 1-800-383-4278</p>
<b>IOWA – Medicaid</b>	<b>NEVADA – Medicaid</b>
<p>Website: <a href="http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/hipp/">www.dhs.state.ia.us/hipp/</a>            Phone: 1-888-346-9562</p>	<p>Medicaid Website: <a href="http://dwss.nv.gov/">http://dwss.nv.gov/</a>            Medicaid Phone: 1-800-992-0900</p>
<b>KANSAS – Medicaid</b>	
<p>Website: <a href="http://www.kdheks.gov/hcf/">http://www.kdheks.gov/hcf/</a>            Phone: 1-800-792-4884</p>	
<b>KENTUCKY – Medicaid</b>	<b>NEW HAMPSHIRE – Medicaid</b>
<p>Website: <a href="http://chfs.ky.gov/dms/default.htm">http://chfs.ky.gov/dms/default.htm</a>            Phone: 1-800-635-2570</p>	<p>Website:  <a href="http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/oii/documents/hippapp.pdf">http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/oii/documents/hippapp.pdf</a>            Phone: 603-271-5218</p>
<b>LOUISIANA – Medicaid</b>	<b>NEW JERSEY – Medicaid and CHIP</b>
<p>Website: <a href="http://www.lahipp.dhh.louisiana.gov">http://www.lahipp.dhh.louisiana.gov</a>            Phone: 1-888-695-2447</p>	<p>Medicaid Website: <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/clients/medicaid/">http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/clients/medicaid/</a>            Medicaid Phone: 609-631-2392</p>
<b>MAINE – Medicaid</b>	
<p>Website: <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/public-assistance/index.html">http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/public-assistance/index.html</a>            Phone: 1-800-977-6740            TTY 1-800-977-6741</p>	<p>CHIP Website: <a href="http://www.njfamilycare.org/index.html">http://www.njfamilycare.org/index.html</a>            CHIP Phone: 1-800-701-0710</p>
<b>MASSACHUSETTS – Medicaid and CHIP</b>	<b>NEW YORK – Medicaid</b>
<p>Website: <a href="http://www.mass.gov/MassHealth">http://www.mass.gov/MassHealth</a>            Phone: 1-800-462-1120</p>	<p>Website: <a href="http://www.nyhealth.gov/health_care/medicaid/">http://www.nyhealth.gov/health_care/medicaid/</a>            Phone: 1-800-541-2831</p>
<b>MINNESOTA – Medicaid</b>	<b>NORTH CAROLINA – Medicaid</b>
<p>Website: <a href="http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/">http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/</a>            Click on Health Care, then Medical Assistance            Phone: 1-800-657-3629</p>	<p>Website: <a href="http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dma">http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dma</a>            Phone: 919-855-4100</p>
<b>MISSOURI – Medicaid</b>	<b>NORTH DAKOTA – Medicaid</b>
<p>Website:  <a href="http://www.dss.mo.gov/mhd/participants/pages/hipp.htm">http://www.dss.mo.gov/mhd/participants/pages/hipp.htm</a>            Phone: 573-751-2005</p>	<p>Website:  <a href="http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/">http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/</a>            Phone: 1-800-755-2604</p>

<b>OKLAHOMA – Medicaid and CHIP</b>	<b>UTAH – Medicaid and CHIP</b>
Website: <a href="http://www.insureoklahoma.org">http://www.insureoklahoma.org</a> Phone: 1-888-365-3742	Website: <a href="http://health.utah.gov/upp">http://health.utah.gov/upp</a> Phone: 1-866-435-7414
<b>OREGON – Medicaid and CHIP</b>	<b>VERMONT – Medicaid</b>
Website: <a href="http://www.oregonhealthykids.gov">http://www.oregonhealthykids.gov</a> <a href="http://www.hijossaludablesoregon.gov">http://www.hijossaludablesoregon.gov</a> Phone: 1-800-699-9075	Website: <a href="http://www.greenmountaincare.org/">http://www.greenmountaincare.org/</a> Phone: 1-800-250-8427
<b>PENNSYLVANIA – Medicaid</b>	<b>VIRGINIA – Medicaid and CHIP</b>
Website: <a href="http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/hipp">http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/hipp</a> Phone: 1-800-692-7462	Medicaid Website: <a href="http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/rcp-HIPP.htm">http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/rcp-HIPP.htm</a> Medicaid Phone: 1-800-432-5924 CHIP Website: <a href="http://www.famis.org/">http://www.famis.org/</a> CHIP Phone: 1-866-873-2647
<b>RHODE ISLAND – Medicaid</b>	<b>WASHINGTON – Medicaid</b>
Website: <a href="http://www.ohhs.ri.gov">www.ohhs.ri.gov</a> Phone: 401-462-5300	Website: <a href="http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/premiumpymt/Apply.shtm">http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/premiumpymt/Apply.shtm</a> Phone: 1-800-562-3022 ext. 15473
<b>SOUTH CAROLINA – Medicaid</b>	<b>WEST VIRGINIA – Medicaid</b>
Website: <a href="http://www.scdhhs.gov">http://www.scdhhs.gov</a> Phone: 1-888-549-0820	Website: <a href="http://www.dhhr.wv.gov/bms/">www.dhhr.wv.gov/bms/</a> Phone: 1-877-598-5820, HMS Third Party Liability
<b>SOUTH DAKOTA – Medicaid</b>	<b>WISCONSIN – Medicaid</b>
Website: <a href="http://dss.sd.gov">http://dss.sd.gov</a> Phone: 1-888-828-0059	Website: <a href="http://www.badgercareplus.org/pubs/p-10095.htm">http://www.badgercareplus.org/pubs/p-10095.htm</a> Phone: 1-800-362-3002
<b>TEXAS – Medicaid</b>	<b>WYOMING – Medicaid</b>
Website: <a href="https://www.gethipptexas.com/">https://www.gethipptexas.com/</a> Phone: 1-800-440-0493	Website: <a href="http://health.wyo.gov/healthcarefin/equalitycare">http://health.wyo.gov/healthcarefin/equalitycare</a> Phone: 307-777-7531

To see if any more States have added a premium assistance program since July 31, 2013, or for more information on special enrollment rights, you can contact either:

U.S. Department of Labor  
Employee Benefits Security Administration  
[www.dol.gov/ebsa](http://www.dol.gov/ebsa)  
1-866-444-EBSA (3272)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
[www.cms.hhs.gov](http://www.cms.hhs.gov)  
1-877-267-2323, Menu Option 4, Ext. 61565