Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
Offer Free Or Low-Cost Health Coverage To Children And Families

If you are eligible for health coverage from your employer, but are unable to afford the premiums, some States have premium assistance programs that can help pay for coverage. These States use funds from their Medicaid or CHIP programs to help people who are eligible for employer-sponsored health coverage, but need assistance in paying their health premiums.

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** 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, your employer's health plan is required to permit you and your dependents to enroll in the plan – as long as you and your dependents are eligible, but not already enrolled in the employer's plan. This is called a "special enrollment" opportunity, and **you must request coverage within 60 days of being determined eligible for premium assistance**.

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, 2011. You should contact your State for further information on eligibility –

ALABAMA – Medicaid	**COLORADO** – Medicaid and CHIP
Website: http://www.medicaid.alabama.gov Phone: 1-800-362-1504	Medicaid Website: http://www.colorado.gov/ Medicaid Phone (In state): 1-800-866-3513 Medicaid Phone (Out of state): 1-800-221-3943 CHIP Website: http:// www.CHPplus.org CHIP Phone: 303-866-3243
ALASKA – Medicaid	
Website: http://health.hss.state.ak.us/dpa/programs/medicaid/ Phone (Outside of Anchorage): 1-888-318-8890 Phone (Anchorage): 907-269-6529	
ARIZONA – CHIP	**FLORIDA** – Medicaid
Website: http://www.azahcccs.gov/applicants/default.aspx Phone (Outside of Maricopa County): 1-877-764-5437 Phone (Maricopa County): 602-417-5437	Website: https://www.flmedicaidtplrecovery.com/ Phone: 1-877-357-3268
CALIFORNIA – Medicaid	**GEORGIA** – Medicaid
Website: http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/Pages/TPLRD_CAU_cont.aspx Phone: 1-866-298-8443	Website: http://dch.georgia.gov/ Click on Programs, then Medicaid Phone: 1-800-869-1150

IDAHO – Medicaid and CHIP	**MONTANA** – Medicaid
Medicaid Website: www.accesstohealthinsurance.idaho.gov Medicaid Phone: 1-800-926-2588 CHIP Website: www.medicaid.idaho.gov CHIP Phone: 1-800-926-2588	Website: http://medicaidprovider.hhs.mt.gov/clientpages/clientindex.shtml Phone: 1-800-694-3084
INDIANA – Medicaid	**NEBRASKA** – Medicaid
Website: http://www.in.gov/fssa Phone: 1-800-889-9948	Website: http://www.dhhs.ne.gov/med/medindex.htm Phone: 1-877-255-3092
IOWA – Medicaid	**NEVADA** – Medicaid
Website: www.dhs.state.ia.us/hipp/ Phone: 1-888-346-9562	Medicaid Website: http://dwss.nv.gov/ Medicaid Phone: 1-800-992-0900
KANSAS – Medicaid	
Website: http://www.kdheks.gov/hcf/ Phone: 1-800-792-4884	
KENTUCKY – Medicaid	**NEW HAMPSHIRE** – Medicaid
Website: http://chfs.ky.gov/dms/default.htm Phone: 1-800-635-2570	Website: www.dhhs.nh.gov/ombp/index.htm Phone: 603-271-8183
LOUISIANA – Medicaid	**NEW JERSEY** – Medicaid and CHIP
Website: http://www.lahipp.dhh.louisiana.gov Phone: 1-888-695-2447	Medicaid Website: http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/clients/medicaid/ Medicaid Phone: 1-800-356-1561 CHIP Website: http://www.njfamilycare.org/index.html CHIP Phone: 1-800-701-0710
MAINE – Medicaid	
Website: http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/OIAS/public-assistance/index.html Phone: 1-800-572-3839	
MASSACHUSETTS – Medicaid and CHIP	**NEW YORK –** Medicaid
Website: http://www.mass.gov/MassHealth Phone: 1-800-462-1120	Website: http://www.nyhealth.gov/health_care/medicaid/ Phone: 1-800-541-2831
MINNESOTA – Medicaid	**NORTH CAROLINA** – Medicaid
Website: http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/ Click on Health Care, then Medical Assistance Phone (Outside of Twin City area): 800-657-3739 Phone (Twin City area): 651-431-2670	Website: http://www.nc.gov Phone: 919-855-4100
MISSOURI – Medicaid	**NORTH DAKOTA** – Medicaid
Website: http://www.dss.mo.gov/mhd/participants/pages/hipp.htm Phone: 573-751-2005	Website: http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/ Phone: 1-800-755-2604

OKLAHOMA – Medicaid and CHIP	**VERMONT**– Medicaid
Website: http://www.insureoklahoma.org Phone: 1-888-365-3742	Website: http://www.greenmountaincare.org/ Phone: 1-800-250-8427
OREGON – Medicaid and CHIP	**VIRGINIA** – Medicaid and CHIP
Website: http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/OPHP/FHIAP/index.shtml Phone: 1-888-564-9669	Medicaid Website: http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/rcp-HIPP.htm Medicaid Phone: 1-800-432-5924 CHIP Website: http://www.famis.org/ CHIP Phone: 1-866-873-2647
PENNSYLVANIA – Medicaid	**WASHINGTON** – Medicaid
Website: http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/hipp Phone: 1-800-692-7462	Website: http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/premiumpymt/Apply.shtm Phone: 1-800-562-3022 ext. 15473
RHODE ISLAND – Medicaid	**WEST VIRGINIA** – Medicaid
Website: www.dhs.ri.gov Phone: 401-462-5300	Website: www.dhhr.wv.gov/bms/ Phone: 304-558-1700
SOUTH CAROLINA – Medicaid	**WISCONSIN** – Medicaid
Website: http://www.scdhhs.gov Phone: 1-888-549-0820	Website: http://www.badgercareplus.org/pubs/p-10095.htm Phone: 1-800-362-3002
TEXAS – Medicaid	**WYOMING** – Medicaid
Website: https://www.gethipptexas.com/ Phone: 1-800-440-0493	Website: http://www.health.wyo.gov/healthcarefin/index.html Phone: 307-777-7531
UTAH – Medicaid and CHIP	
Website: http://health.utah.gov/upp Phone: 1-866-435-7414	

To see if any more States have added a premium assistance program since July 31, 2011, 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
1-866-444-EBSA (3272)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
www.cms.hhs.gov
1-877-267-2323, Ext. 61565

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