NYC Health

# Medicaid Work Requirements

## What You Need to Know Now and How to Prepare

Beginning in January 2027, new federal work requirements will affect certain people who have Medicaid insurance.

To comply with new Medicaid requirements, individuals must provide documentation that they are working, participating in a work training program, volunteering, or attending school at least 80 hours per month, or that their household earns at least $580 per month.

You may be exempt from the work requirements if you:

- Are pregnant or have given birth in the past 12 months
- Are the parent, guardian, or caregiver of a child under age 14 or a disabled individual
- Have a disability, as defined for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) eligibility
- Have special medical needs or mental health conditions that significantly impair your ability to work
- Are participating in a drug or alcohol use treatment program
- Are enrolled in SNAP (food stamps) and subject to SNAP work requirements
- Are enrolled in TANF (cash assistance) and compliant with TANF work requirements
- Have been released from jail or prison in the last 90 days
- Are receiving inpatient services in a hospital, nursing facility, intermediate care facility, or similar facility

See a full list of exemptions on the New York State of Health's Stay Covered webpage at info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/stay-covered.

**The NYC Health Department offers resources to support New Yorkers, including counselors who can answer your questions and support you in meeting the new requirements to stay covered by Medicaid or another insurance plan.**

**To speak with an NYC Health Department representative, call 347-665-0214, or visit** nyc.gov/healthcoverage **and click on Health Insurance Inquiry Form.**

## If You Have Medicaid Insurance

1. **Find out if these new requirements will apply to you.** If you are age 19 to 64, you could be affected.
2. **Keep your contact information updated** on New York State of Health Marketplace. If you do not know how to access your Marketplace account, an NYC Health Department counselor can help you.
3. **Look for official messages from the New York State of Health Marketplace.** Messages may contain important information on how to keep your coverage. Pay special attention to renewal notices. If you are already on Medicaid, you could be required to comply with these work requirement rules starting with March 2027 renewals.
4. **Consider sharing earnings info.** New York State of Health Marketplace is partnering with a company called Truv to access payroll data, making it easier to verify compliance with Medicaid work requirements. Learn more about opting in to Truv at info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/truv.
5. **Continue to get care.** You should continue to see your healthcare provider when you need care. If you are unsure about your current coverage, check your New York State of Health Marketplace account, speak to a counselor by calling 347-665-0214, or talk to your healthcare provider.
6. **Know where to get help.** If you receive a notice of noncompliance or need help with your Medicaid renewal, call the NYC Health Department at 347-665-0214 or go to nyc.gov/healthcoverage and click on Health Insurance Inquiry Form.
7. **There are healthcare options regardless of coverage.** Even if you lose your Medicaid coverage, there are options for affordable healthcare in New York City for uninsured residents, regardless of your immigration status or ability to pay. You can find low- or no-cost healthcare services at an NYC Health + Hospitals location near you or by visiting nyccare.nyc or calling 646-NYC-CARE (646-692-2273) or **311**. You can also find your local community health center by visiting findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov.

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