Medicaid Renewals





At the start of the federal COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) we stopped the Medicaid renewal process. Renewals are restarting. If you have Medicaid, MIChild, or Healthy Michigan Plan you may need to go through the renewal process. This is to find if you are still eligible for free or low-cost Medicaid coverage.

What to do now:



Update your address, phone number, and email address.



Report any changes to your household or income.



Check your mail.
You may need to fill out a renewal form.

Learn more about what to do now on the next page. >

MI Bridges is here to help

The MI Bridges website can help you apply for benefits, find resources, and manage your case.

You can access MI Bridges anytime online at Michigan.gov/MIBridges to apply for:

- Healthcare coverage
- Food Assistance Program (FAP)
- Cash Assistance
- Child Development + Care (CDC)
- State Emergency Relief (SER) including utilities, housing, and burial costs

MI Bridges can also help you search for state and local resources in your community. If you receive benefits, you can manage your case and renew benefits through your MI Bridges account.





Questions?

Call the Beneficiary Help Line toll free at **1-800-642-3195** (TTY: 1-866-501-5656). We are open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

2023 Benefit Changes

To learn more, go to

Michigan.gov/2023BenefitChanges

Make sure to:



Update your address, phone number, and email address now

The best way to update contact information is online at Michigan.gov/MIBridges.

If you are the head of household and have a MI Bridges account:

- Log in to your MI Bridges account
- Make sure to report changes in both the profile section and the "Report Changes" area. Local office staff will use the "Report Changes" area to update the address for your case.
- Do not create an account if you already have one

If you are the head of household and do **not** have a MI Bridges account:

- Go to the MI Bridges website at Michigan.gov/MIBridges
- Select "Register" and follow the steps to fill out your information

You can also contact your local MDHHS office to make changes.



Report any changes to your household or income now

Report changes to the MDHHS by visiting Michigan.gov/MIBridges or contact your local MDHHS office.





3 Check your mail

To keep your Medicaid coverage, you may need to complete a yearly renewal form. If you do, we will send one to you. To avoid gaps in Medicaid coverage, please complete and return the form right away.



If you want to get electronic updates about your letters:

- Go to Michigan.gov/MIBridges
- Log in to your account
- In your MI Bridges account settings, choose to get electronic updates. We'll tell you when you have a new letter in MI Bridges.



If you get a renewal packet

Be sure to fill it out, sign the forms, and return them by the due date with any needed proof, such as proof of income, assets, and expenses. For example, we may ask for pay stubs, bank statements, or utility bills.

You have about **60** days to respond once you get the renewal packet. If you get a Verification Checklist (Form 1010) in your packet, you have about 10 days to fill it out and send it back.

The decision about your benefits

After we review your case, we will send you a letter. It will tell you one of the following:

- You are eligible to keep your Medicaid
- You are no longer eligible for Medicaid
- We need more information to find if you are eligible for Medicaid

If you no longer are eligible for Medicaid

If your Medicaid coverage ends, you can shop for and buy health insurance at **HealthCare.gov**.



Good news!

Pregnant women can now keep their MIChild, Medicaid, or Healthy Michigan Plan coverage for 12 months after the pregnancy ends.

If you have a deductible

During the PHE, you kept your Medicaid coverage for every month after you met your deductible once. Now that renewals are restarting, you will need to meet your deductible **each** month. Once you meet your deductible for a month, you will have Medicaid coverage from that day through the last day of that month.

You will need to report medical costs monthly to be eligible for and keep your Medicaid coverage. To report medical costs:

- Upload them to your MI Bridges account at <u>Michigan.gov/MIBridges</u>, or
- Return them to your local MDHHS office

Be sure to report any medical costs right away.



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