

Got a Medicaid Work Requirement or Renewal Notice?

You may have federal protections. Here is what to do.

Medicaid rules are changing. New work requirements and more frequent eligibility checks will apply to many Medicaid enrollees.

American Indians (including Urban Indians and California Indians), Alaska Natives, and individuals otherwise determined eligible for the Indian Health Service are protected from the new work requirement and six-month renewal requirement.

A notice does not automatically mean the new requirement applies to you.

IF YOU RECEIVE A MEDICAID NOTICE

- 1 Do not ignore it.**
Read the notice, save it, and pay attention to any deadline.
- 2 Ask whether these protections apply to you.**
Contact your clinic or health center, a Medicaid enrollment assister, or your state Medicaid agency. Tell them you are American Indian or Alaska Native (including Urban Indian or California Indian) or are eligible to use the Indian Health Service and ask whether your Medicaid record correctly reflects any protections you qualify for.
- 3 Bring or share the notice.**
Have the letter, email, portal message, or other Medicaid notice available so someone can help determine what it requires and whether it needs to be corrected.
- 4 Act before the deadline.**
Get help as soon as possible. Do not wait for your coverage to end before asking questions.

WHO MAY QUALIFY FOR THESE PROTECTIONS?

Federal Medicaid law protects American Indians, Urban Indians, California Indians, and individuals otherwise determined eligible for the Indian Health Service.

Eligibility is not limited to enrolled members of federally recognized Tribes.

If you qualify, you **do not have to meet the new Medicaid work requirement and you **continue** on the current 12-month renewal schedule instead of the new six-month cycle.**