

What you need to know about **Medicaid** changes!

Many Medicaid enrollees aged 19-64 will have new rules starting January 1, 2027.

1. You may need to prove you are working, volunteering, or going to school to get or keep Medicaid.

✦ You can meet the new rules by:

- ✓ Earning or having \$580 per month in household income
- ✓ Completing 80 hours per month of volunteering, job training, or half-time enrollment in school
- ✓ Combining your income and activities

✦ Some people do not have to follow these rules:

- ✓ Parents or caretakers of children under 14 and some low-income parents with children under 18
- ✓ Some people with disabilities
- ✓ People who receive SNAP or TANF and meet these program requirements

2. You may need to renew your Medicaid more often.

Many people with Medicaid will need to renew their coverage **every 6 months** instead of once a year. Children under age 19 and pregnant people (up to one year after giving birth) only need to renew once a year.

EXAMPLES



Jerrod and Liz are 30 years old, married, and enrolled in Medicaid. Jerrod earns \$600 a month. Liz is not working. Because their household income is more than \$580 a month, they meet the work rules.



Liza, Tom, and their 11-year-old son Max are enrolled in Medicaid. Liza and Tom do not have to meet the work rules because they care for a child under age 14. Max does not have to meet the work rules because he is under age 19.

What you can do now

- ✦ **Open and respond** to all Medicaid notices.
- ✦ **Save papers** that show you are working, volunteering, or enrolled in job training or school. If you have a disability or meet another exception, keep proof of that too.
- ✦ **Check and sign up for updates** here: <https://info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/stay-covered>.
- ✦ Get **free help** enrolling or keeping your coverage. Call **Community Health Advocates** at **888-614-5400**. We'll keep you covered!

Tips for keeping your coverage!

- ❑ **Only 1 person** in the household needs to meet the work rules.
- ❑ **If you are applying for Medicaid**, you must show that you worked during the month before you applied.
- ❑ **If you already have Medicaid**, you must meet the work rules during one of the six months before your renewal.