

What is Medicaid?

Medicaid is a health care program for families and individuals with low income and limited resources.

What is covered by Medicaid?

Depending on the type of plan, Medicaid may cover the following services:

- Doctor visits
- Specialists
- Vision
- Hospital
- Mental health
- Limited dental
- Chiropractic
- Prescriptions
- Birth control
- Speech and hearing
- Emergency room
- Emergency transportation
- Lab and x-rays
- Medical supplies
- Nursing home
- Home health and hospice
- Maternity care
- Physical therapy
- Occupational therapy
- Some transportation services

Who is eligible?

Medicaid has programs for pregnant women, children, parents and other relatives who have dependent children living with them, people who are over age 64, people who are disabled or blind, and adults age 19-64 who do not have access to affordable health insurance.

To be eligible for Medicaid, a person must:

- Be a U.S. citizen or qualified resident alien (unless for emergency services only)
- Meet income and asset limits
- Be a Utah resident

For a list of all programs and their eligibility requirements, visit: medicaid.utah.gov. For the chart on maximum income limits for Medicaid, visit:

<https://medicaid.utah.gov/medicaid-education-materials/>



How do I apply?

You may apply online: medicaid.utah.gov

Call for an application or with questions: 1-866-435-7414

You may also apply by mail or in person at a Department of Workforce Services office. Call DWS at 1-866-435-7414.

Medicaid definitions

Assets — Bank and credit union accounts, cash, stocks, bonds, life insurance policies, vehicles, a home or other property. Some assets, like your home, are not counted to determine your eligibility.

Attendant / Companion — A person accompanying a medicaid member.

CHIP — The Children's Health Insurance Program is for children under the age of 19 who do not qualify for Medicaid and do not have access to other health insurance.

Income — Earned income such as wages, tips, or self-employment and unearned income such as Social Security, unemployment, or child support. When determining your eligibility we look at income before any deductions.

Medicare — A health insurance program for the aged or disabled administered by the Social Security Administration. The Department of Health and Human Services has Medicare cost sharing programs that will help pay for some of your Medicaid costs such as Part B premiums. You may also qualify for reduced Part D costs.

Retroactive Benefits — You may request Medicaid for any of the three months immediately preceding the date we receive your application. For example, if we received your application on June 14, we can look for eligibility back to March 1.

Spenddown — A spenddown is the difference between the income we count and the income limit for the household size and program type. If you are over the countable income limit, the difference between the limit and the amount you exceed the limit is the amount you will have to pay to buy your medicaid card each month. Not all Medicaid programs allow you to spenddown to become eligible.

UPP — Utah's Premium Partnership for health insurance helps the uninsured afford their employer's health insurance plan by reimbursing all or part of the monthly premium cost.

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Equal Opportunity Employer/Program Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities by calling (801) 526-9240.

Individual with speech and/or hearing impairments may call Relay Utah by dialing 711.

Spanish Relay Utah: 1-888-346-3162

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