Losing Medicaid does not always mean losing access to health coverage.

You may still qualify for other health coverage options depending on your age, income, family situation, immigration status, and other factors.

OTHER COVERAGE OPTIONS MAY INCLUDE

- **DC HEALTH LINK.**

DC Health Link can help people find, compare, and enroll in health coverage that meets their needs and budget. Find them at (855) 532-5465 or dchealthlink.com.

Help Understanding Your Options

If you receive a notice that your Medicaid coverage is ending, do not ignore it. Review the notice carefully and contact the District as soon as possible to learn about available coverage options.



HELP RESOURCES

For more information, use any of our direct access channels:

ONLINE & MOBILE (FASTEST): Log in to your personal profile dashboard at districtdirect.dc.gov or download the secure District Direct Mobile App on your smartphone.

BY PHONE: Call the Public Benefits Center at **(202) 727-5355** to speak with a processing representative; TTY 711.

IN PERSON: Visit a DHS Service Center to have an agency specialist scan your original pay stubs, exemption documents, or status papers.

BY FAX: Send clear photocopies of your verification documents to **(202) 671-4400.**

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MAJOR CHANGES ARE COMING TO MEDICAID IN DC

WHAT'S CHANGING?

Recent federal and District policy changes may affect Medicaid eligibility, renewals, and reporting requirements for some residents.

1- Work Requirements
Beginning January 1, 2027, some adults may need to work, volunteer, attend school, or participate in other approved activities to keep their Medicaid coverage. Many people may qualify for an exemption.

2- More Frequent Renewals
Beginning January 1, 2027, some adults may need to renew their Medicaid coverage every 6 months and provide information about work activities or exemptions.

3- Changes for Some Non-Citizens
Beginning October 1, 2026, federal Medicaid eligibility rules will change for some non-citizens. Certain immigration categories may no longer qualify for full Medicaid coverage.

Important: Not every change applies to every person. Your age, family situation, health status, immigration status, and current benefits may affect whether these changes apply to you.



WHAT TO DO:

• STAY CONNECTED
Keep your address, phone number, and email address up to date.

• STAY INFORMED
Check your mail, email, and text messages for important notices and deadlines from the District.

• STAY ELIGIBLE
Some adults may need to meet new work and reporting requirements beginning in 2027. Many people may qualify for an exemption.

WHAT RULES APPLY TO ME?

You must show proof of compliance if you
- Are in a childless adult category (between ages 19-64 with no dependent children).

You comply already if you
- Have a physical health condition, disability, or mental health condition that makes it difficult to work
- Are receiving treatment for a substance use disorder
- Attend school at least half-time
- Already meet work requirements through SNAP

You are exempt if you
- Are under age 19 or age 65 or older
- Are pregnant or had a pregnancy end in the past 12 months.
- Care for a child or family member who needs your help because of a disability or a health condition

If you are not sure whether the new requirements apply to you,
visit **workrequirements.dc.gov**
or call **(202) 727-5355**
for assistance.