



MARYLAND CHILDREN'S HEALTH PROGRAM HEALTH CARE FOR CHILDREN AND PREGNANT WOMEN



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Welcome to the Maryland Children's Health Program (MCHP), a free or low-cost health insurance program for children up to age 19 and pregnant women in families with low to average incomes. Covered services include in-patient hospital care, medical doctor visits, lab tests, dental care, eye care, medicines and immunizations. Income before taxes and other deductions is counted.

Income Qualifying Levels – Effective September 1, 2003

Free coverage for Children

\$16,613 for a family of 1	\$28,231 for a family of 3	\$39,849 for a family of 5
\$22,422 for a family of 2	\$34,040 for a family of 4	Add \$5,809 for each additional family member

Free Coverage for Pregnant Women

\$30,300 for a family of 2*	\$38,150 for a family of 3	\$53,850 for a family of 5
<i>Pregnant woman and unborn child*</i>	\$46,000 for a family of 4	Add \$7,850 for each additional family member

Low Cost Coverage for Children

If your children are not eligible for free health care services through MCHP, **you may purchase coverage for your children through MCHP Premium**. If you are interested in this program, answer "yes" to Question 6 on the application. **Effective September 1, 2003** the cost per family is \$37.00 per month if family income is at or below:

\$17,960 for a family of 1	\$30,520 for a family of 3	\$43,080 for a family of 5
\$24,240 for a family of 2	\$36,800 for a family of 4	Add \$6,280 for each additional family member

Children enrolled in MCHP Premium before July 1, 2003 whose family income is higher than the amount listed above may remain eligible after July 1, 2003. Premiums are \$40 - \$50 per family per month if family income is at or below:

\$26,940 for a family of 1	\$45,780 for a family of 3	\$64,620 for a family of 5
\$36,360 for a family of 2	\$55,200 for a family of 4	Add \$9,420 for each additional family member

The qualifying income amounts change every year. **IMPORTANT:** Even if your income is a little higher than the amount shown for your family size, you and your children may still qualify if you work, pay for childcare, alimony or child support. Therefore, please apply.

Please take the time to fill out the application and mail or bring it to your local health department. A list of the local health departments is located on the last page of the application form. If you need help completing the application, or help in your language, please call your local health department.

"Si usted necesita esta solicitud en Español, llame al 1-800-456-8900 o su departamento de salud local. Si necesita ayuda para llenar esta solicitud, llame a su departamento de salud local. En la parte de atrás de la solicitud encontrará un listado de todos los departamentos de salud locales" .

Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

1-800-456-8900 (Hotline) 1-800-735-2258 (TDD)
website: <http://www.dhmh.state.md.us>

Please see the back of this page for important information about your MCHP application.

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Important Information about Your MCHP Application

After you fill out the MCHP application form, you may mail or bring it to the local health department in the county where you live (or to Baltimore Health Care Access, if you live in Baltimore City). The addresses and telephone numbers for the local health departments are on the last page of the application form.

When the local health department receives the application, a case manager will be assigned to determine eligibility for everyone applying for MCHP. The case manager will answer your questions about MCHP. The case manager may call or write to you to get additional information, if needed. The case manager will determine eligibility and send you a letter telling you the decision. **If you don’t hear from your case manager or receive a decision letter about your eligibility within three weeks after the date you mailed or took your application form to the local health department, call the local health department and ask to speak to the MCHP Eligibility Unit.**

If you are eligible for MCHP, you will receive a red and white Medical Care Program card. You’ll also receive information to choose a Managed Care Organization (MCO) participating in *HealthChoice*, Maryland Managed Care Program. **If you don’t receive a Medical Care Program card and MCO enrollment information within 30 days of the date of your decision letter, call your case manager at the local health department.** If you are applying as a pregnant woman, abortion is not covered.

If your family income is above the limit for MCHP, and you’ve answered “yes” to question 6 on the application form, your children may qualify for MCHP Premium. If so, you’ll receive information from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene about MCHP Premium. You’ll have a case manager at the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene who will work with you to enroll your children in MCHP Premium and explain how to obtain health care for your children.

It’s important to keep your information current with your case manager. If you have a change in name, address, number of people in the household, income, employment or pregnancy, please call or write your case manager within 10 days of the change. Your case manager will let you know if the change affects your eligibility.

FOR YOUR RECORDS:

Name, address, and telephone number
of the local health department you
sent your application

to: _____

Date you sent your application: _____

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REMINDER: Before mailing, did you:

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Fill in all boxes with information or the word "None"?

Sign and date the application?

Write the name and address of the local health department and the date you mailed the application on the page you keep for your records?

LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT DIRECTORY

<p>Allegany Maryland Children's Health Program 12500 Willowbrook Rd. P.O. Box 1745 S.E. Cumberland, MD 21502 (301) 777-5620 (301) 777-2097 FAX</p>	<p>Cecil Maryland Children's Health Program 401 Bow Street Elkton, MD 21921-5511 (410) 996-5126 (410) 996-5124 FAX</p>	<p>Kent County Health Department Maryland Children's Health Program 125 S. Lynchburg Street Chestertown, MD 21620 (410) 778-7023 (410) 778-7019 FAX</p>	<p>Somerset Somerset County Health Department 7920 Crisfield Highway Westover, MD 21871 (443) 523-1700 (410) 651-5680 FAX</p>
<p>Anne Arundel County Department of Health Maryland Children's Health Program 1 Harry S. Truman Pkwy. Suite 200 Annapolis, MD 21401 (410) 222-4792 (410) 222-4391 FAX</p>	<p>Charles Co. Division of Community Health & Prevention Services P.O. Box 1050 White Plains, MD 20695-1050 (301) 609-6869/70/71 (301) 934-7048 FAX</p>	<p>Montgomery Service Eligibility Unit 1335 Piccard Drive, Upper Level Rockville, MD 20850 (240) 777-3120 (240) 777-1013 FAX</p>	<p>Talbot County Health Department 100 S. Hanson St. Easton, MD 21601 (410) 819-5670 (410) 819-5682 FAX</p>
<p>Baltimore County Baltimore County Health Department MCHP Program 8501 LaSalle Rd. Suite 103 Towson, MD 21286 (410) 887-2957 (410) 887-8095 FAX</p>	<p>Dorchester Dorchester County Health Department 503-B Muir Street Cambridge, MD 21613 (410) 228-3294 (410) 228-8976 FAX</p>	<p>8630 Fenton Street, 10th floor Silver Spring, MD 20910 (240) 777-3066 (240) 777-1307 FAX</p>	<p>Washington Maryland Children's Health Program (240) 313-3330 1302 Pennsylvania Avenue Hagerstown, MD 21742 (240) 313-3334 FAX</p>
<p>Calvert Maryland Children's Health Program P.O. Box 980 Prince Frederick, MD 20678 (410) 535-5400 (301) 855-1353 (410) 535-1955 FAX</p>	<p>Frederick Frederick County Health Department 350 Montevue Lane Frederick, MD 21702 (301) 631-3124 TEL (301) 631-3111 FAX</p>	<p>12900 Middlebrook Road Germantown, MD 20874 (240) 777-3591 (240) 777-3563 FAX</p>	<p>Wicomico Maryland Children's Health Program (Mail Only) 108 E. Main Street (In Person) 300 West Carrol St. Salisbury, MD 21801 (410) 543-6944 (410) 543-6568 FAX</p>
<p>Caroline Caroline County Health Clinic, P.O. Box 10 (Mail Only) 403 S. 7th Street Denton, MD 21629 (410) 479-8000 (410) 479-0244 FAX</p>	<p>Garrett 1025 Memorial Drive Oakland, MD 21550 (301) 334-7770 (301) 334-7771 FAX</p>	<p>Queen Anne's 206 N. Commerce Street Centreville, MD 21617 (410) 758-0720 (410) 758-2838 FAX</p>	<p>Worcester Berlin Health Center 9730 Healthway Drive Berlin, MD 21811 (410) 629-0164 (410) 957-2005 (410) 629-0185 FAX</p>
<p>Carroll County Health Department 290 S. Center P.O. Box 845 Westminster, MD 21158 (410) 876-4916 (410) 876-4905 FAX</p>	<p>Harford Maryland Children's Health Program 119 S. Hays St. P.O. Box 797 Bel Air, MD 21014 (410) 838-1500 (410) 638-8482 FAX</p>	<p>St. Mary's MCHP Eligibility & Outreach P.O. Box 316 21580 Peabody Street Leonardtown, MD 20650-0316 (301) 475-4275 (301) 475-4350 FAX</p>	<p>Baltimore City Baltimore Health Care Access MCHP One Calvert Plaza 201 E. Baltimore Street, 9th Floor Baltimore, MD 21202 (410) 649-0512 (410) 649-0530 FAX</p>
	<p>Howard County Health Department 10630 Little Patuxent Parkway Suite 400 Columbia, MD 21044 (410) 313-7500 (410) 313-7502 FAX</p>		

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