



Montana Healthcare Programs Provider Notice

February 14, 2024

Effective July 1, 2023

Reminder

Ambulatory Surgical Center, Direct Entry Midwife, Family Planning, FQHC, Hospital Inpatient, Hospital Outpatient, IHS, Mental Health Center, Mid-Level, Physician, Public Health Clinic, RHC, and Tribal 638 Providers

Medicaid 12-Month Postpartum Continuous Eligibility Coverage

The Montana Department of Health and Human Services (DPHHS) has extended eligibility coverage to postpartum women, effective July 1, 2023.

Previously, coverage continued for 60 days after childbirth or a change to the pregnancy. Postpartum women enrolled in Montana Medicaid, Healthy Montana Kids *Plus* (HMK *Plus*), and Healthy Montana Kids (HMK) are now eligible for 12-month continuous coverage.

If your patient is enrolled in Medicaid, HMK *Plus*, or HMK, remind them to contact their local Office of Public Assistance (OPA) with any changes in their pregnancy or postpartum status to ensure the 12-month continuous eligibility. If OPA is not notified, they will be unable to change or extend coverage.

Contact and Website Information

For the OPA field office list, visit the [DPHHS Field Offices of Public Assistant website](#) or contact the Montana Public Assistance Helpline at (888) 706-1535.

For coverage assistance options, direct members to [Montana DPHHS - SNAP, TANF, LIHEAP and Health Coverage Assistance Application \(mt.gov\)](#).

For claims questions or additional information, contact Montana Provider Relations at (800) 624-3958 or (406) 442-1837 or email Montana Provider Relations Helpdesk.

Visit the [Montana Healthcare Programs Provider Information website](#) to access your provider type page. Choose Resources by Provider Type in the left-hand menu.

Visit the [Contact Us page](#) on the Provider Information website for additional DPHHS contact numbers.