

What the New Federal Budget Law Means for Your Medicaid Coverage July 14, 2025

You may have heard on the news or from family or friends that Medicaid could be changing. You may have heard talk of things like the "Big Beautiful Bill" or federal budget cuts. On July 4, 2025, President Trump signed a new federal budget bill into law. The new federal budget law does make changes to Medicaid, but most will take years to go into effect. This FAQ explains what is happening and what it means for you now.

Is my Medicaid coverage going to change?

We understand there is concern about recent news of changes and budget cuts but, for now, nothing has changed about your Maryland Medicaid benefits.

What is Maryland doing about the new changes to Medicaid?

The Maryland Department of Health is currently evaluating what the new federal law will mean for our programs and the people we serve. For now, there are no changes to member eligibility, services, or coverage. Maryland Medicaid remains committed to ensuring you have the care you need when you need it.

Before any change happens, we will send you an official notice. This way you will know exactly what to expect and when. You will get your notice by mail or email depending on which way you asked us to contact you. Remember to keep your contact information up to date so you can receive important information and notices. Learn how to update your contact information.

Will you notify me if something changes with my coverage?

Yes. Before any change happens, we will send you an official notice. This way you will know exactly what to expect and when. You will get your notice by mail or email depending on which way you asked us to contact you. Remember to keep your contact information up to date so you can receive important information and notices. Learn how to update your contact information.

Do I need to do anything right now to keep my coverage?

You do not need to take any action now to keep your coverage. Remember to keep your contact information up to date so you can receive important information and notices. Be sure to renew your Medicaid coverage when you receive your notice. Otherwise, keep using your Medicaid coverage as usual for appointments, prescriptions, and other services. Learn how to renew your Medicaid coverage or update your contact information.

Who can I talk to if I have more questions about my Medicaid coverage?

We are here to help if you have questions about your current benefits, eligibility, or services.

• For benefits or services information:

- Call your <u>managed care organization</u>. You can find their number on the back of your insurance card.
- You can also call the HealthChoice Helpline at 800-284-4510 or use their <u>online</u> form.

• For eligibility questions:

o Call the Maryland Health Connection at 855-642-8572.