

MEDICAID

Eligibility

To be eligible for Medicaid, you must:

- Be a United States citizen or meet [Medicaid non-citizen requirements](#)
- Be a resident of the state of Ohio
- Have or get a Social Security number
- Need health care/insurance assistance
- And must qualify as one of the following:
 - o Individual with low-income
 - o Pregnant woman, infant, or child
 - o Older adult
 - o Individual with a disability

Once approved, you will automatically be enrolled in either Fee for Service coverage or managed care. In Ohio, most individuals who have Medicaid must join a managed care plan to receive their health care. You can enroll in Buckeye Health Plan, CareSource, Molina Healthcare, Paramount Advantage, or UnitedHealthcare Community Plan.

Income

Must have an annual household income (before taxes) of less than: Family Size	Parents/ Caretaker Relatives	Adults (19-64)	Children with Insurance	Pregnant Women	Children without Insurance
1	\$1,020	\$1,507	\$1,767	\$2,265	\$2,333
2	\$1,374	\$2,030	\$2,381	\$3,052	\$3,144
3	\$1,728	\$2,553	\$2,994	\$3,839	\$3,954
4	\$2,082	\$3,076	\$3,608	\$4,625	\$4,764
5	\$2,436	\$3,599	\$4,222	\$5,412	\$5,575
6	\$2,790	\$4,122	\$4,835	\$6,199	\$6,385
7	\$3,144	\$4,646	\$5,449	\$6,985	\$7,195
8	\$3,498	\$5,169	\$6,062	\$7,772	\$8,005
9	\$3,852	\$5,962	\$6,676	\$8,559	\$8,816
10	\$4,206	\$6,215	\$7,290	\$9,345	\$9,626

Income eligibility determination is based on each individual's tax filing status.

If tax filing status is:	The Medicaid household includes the following individuals and their income:
Single tax filer – an individual who expects to file taxes (with or without spouse) and NOT be claimed as a dependent by anyone else	- The individual - The individual's spouse, if living in the home or filing married, filing jointly - Anyone they claim as a tax dependent

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If tax filing status is:	The Medicaid household includes the following individuals and their income:
Tax dependent with an exception – individual is claimed as a tax dependent AND meets one of the following exceptions - - Being claimed by someone other than parent or spouse - Under age 19 years old and living with both parents who are NOT filing married, filing jointly - Under age 19 years old and being claimed as tax dependent by NON CUSTODIAL parent	The individual, and if living in the home: - The individual's spouse - The individual's children under age 19 - If the individual is under age 19 years old, the individual's parents (including stepparents) and siblings under age 19
Non-filer – an individual who does not expect to file taxes or be claimed as a tax dependent by another individual	The individual, and if living in the home: - The individual's spouse - The individual's children under age 19 - If the individual is under age 19 years old, the individual's parents (including stepparents) and siblings under age 19

How to Apply

All applications are to be processed within 30 days from the date the agency receives the application. Applications for Medicaid do not require interviews, but a worker may call to review questionable information on the application.

Paper Applications: [JFS Medicaid Form 7200](#). Print the application from the website. Complete all information. Submit completed application in mail to 1641 Payne Ave Ste. 520 Cleveland OH 44114.

Phone Applications: Call 844.640.6446 Monday to Friday 8am to 4pm.

Web Portal Applications: benefits.ohio.gov. Click Apply Now option.

Verification Documentation

Criteria of Eligibility	How can it be verified?
Age and ID	Birth certificate or electronic verification from Social Security Administration
Citizenship	Birth certificate, US Passport, Certification of Naturalization, or electronic verification from Social Security Administration
Non-citizenship status – if applicable	Immigration documents and confirmation from USCIS SAVE Website
SSN	Social Security Card or SS5, or electronic verification from Social Security Administration

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Pregnancy – if applicable	Medical provider written statement if multiple babies expected
Earned or unearned income	Paystubs, employer statement, award letters, w2s, 1099s, etc. or electronic verification from IRS or other electronic sources. Cooperation with electronic verification process is a condition of eligibility.
Residency/Address	Can be self-attested for State of Ohio. Verification only required if questionable.
Disability status – if applicable	Doctor statement, SSA determination documentation
Cooperation with Child Support Enforcement Agency to establish medical support	Verification from CSEA that cooperation has occurred with establishing medical support, as applicable
Tax Filing Status	Can be self-declared. Only required documentation if questionable or discrepancy found.
Resources/assets – For ABD and LTC SIL only	Bank statement, life insurance policies, auditor websites. Cooperation with electronic verification process is a condition of eligibility.

Programs for Children with Income Too High for Medicaid

Healthy Start Programs

Insured or uninsured children (up to age 19) in families with income up to 156% of the federal poverty level. Pregnant women in families with income up to 200% of the federal poverty level. Must be Ohio resident and US Citizen or qualified alien.

CHIP

Uninsured children in families with income up to 200% of the federal poverty level. Must be Ohio resident and US Citizen or qualified alien.

Healthy Families Program

Families with income up to 90% of the federal poverty level and a child younger than age 19. Must be Ohio resident and US Citizen or qualified alien.