

# Special Notice: Government Assistance May Be Available to Help Pay Your Health Care Contributions

*This notice is required to be distributed to participants in group health plans sponsored by the Rockwood School District. Please refer to the information in your enrollment kit and Summary Plan Descriptions (SPDs) for more details about your benefits, including other required notices.*

## Premium Assistance under Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

If you or your children are eligible for Medicaid or CHIP and you are eligible for health coverage from your employer, your State may have a premium assistance program that can help pay for coverage. These States use funds from their Medicaid or CHIP programs to help people who are eligible for these programs, but also have access to health insurance through their employer. If you or your children are not eligible for Medicaid or CHIP, you will not be eligible for these premium assistance programs.

If you or your dependents are already enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP and you live in a State listed below, you can contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office to find out if premium assistance is available.

If you or your dependents are NOT currently enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP, and you think you or any of your dependents might be eligible for either of these programs, you can contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office or dial **1-877-KIDS NOW** or [www.insurekidsnow.gov](http://www.insurekidsnow.gov) to find out how to apply. If you qualify, you can ask the State if it has a program that might help you pay the premiums for an employer-sponsored plan.

Once it is determined that you or your dependents are eligible for premium assistance under Medicaid or CHIP, as well as eligible under your employer plan, your employer must permit you to enroll in your employer plan if you are not already enrolled. This is called a "special enrollment" opportunity, and **you must request coverage within 60 days of being determined eligible for premium assistance.** If you have questions about enrolling in your employer plan, you can contact the Department of Labor electronically at [www.askebsa.dol.gov](http://www.askebsa.dol.gov) or by calling toll-free 1-866-444-EBSA (3272).

**If you live in one of the following States, you may be eligible for assistance paying your employer health plan premiums. The following list of States is current as of July 31, 2012. You should contact your State for further information on eligibility.**

To see if any more states have added a premium assistance program since July 31, 2012, or for more information on special enrollment rights, you can contact either:

U.S. Department of Labor  
Employee Benefits Security Administration  
[www.dol.gov/ebsa](http://www.dol.gov/ebsa)  
1-866-444-EBSA (3272)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
[www.cms.hhs.gov](http://www.cms.hhs.gov)  
1-877-267-2323, ext. 61565

State	Website	Phone
Alabama (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.medicaid.alabama.gov">http://www.medicaid.alabama.gov</a>	1-855-692-5447
Alaska (Medicaid)	<a href="http://health.hss.state.ak.us/dpa/programs/medicaid/">http://health.hss.state.ak.us/dpa/programs/medicaid/</a>	Outside of Anchorage: 1-888-318-8890 Anchorage: 907-269-6529
Arizona (CHIP)	<a href="http://www.azahcccs.gov/applicants">http://www.azahcccs.gov/applicants</a>	Outside of Maricopa County: 1-877-764-5437 Maricopa County: 602-417-5437
Colorado (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.colorado.gov/">http://www.colorado.gov/</a>	In state: 1-800-866-3513 Out of state: 1-800-221-3943
Florida (Medicaid)	<a href="https://www.flmedicaidptlrecovery.com/">https://www.flmedicaidptlrecovery.com/</a>	1-877-357-3268
Georgia (Medicaid)	<a href="http://dch.georgia.gov/">http://dch.georgia.gov/</a> (click on "Programs," then "Medicaid," then "Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP)")	1-800-869-1150
Idaho (Medicaid and CHIP)	Medicaid: <a href="http://www.accessstohealthinsurance.idaho.gov">www.accessstohealthinsurance.idaho.gov</a> CHIP: <a href="http://www.medicaid.idaho.gov">www.medicaid.idaho.gov</a>	Medicaid: 1-800-926-2588 CHIP: 1-800-926-2588
Indiana (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.in.gov/fssa">http://www.in.gov/fssa</a>	1-800-889-9949
Iowa (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/hipp/">www.dhs.state.ia.us/hipp/</a>	1-888-346-9562
Kansas (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.kdheks.gov/hcf/">http://www.kdheks.gov/hcf/</a>	1-800-792-4884
Kentucky (Medicaid)	<a href="http://chfs.ky.gov/dms/default.htm">http://chfs.ky.gov/dms/default.htm</a>	1-800-635-2570
Louisiana (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.lahipp.dhh.louisiana.gov">http://www.lahipp.dhh.louisiana.gov</a>	1-888-695-2447
Maine (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/public-assistance/index.html">http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/public-assistance/index.html</a>	1-800-572-3839 1-800-977-6741 TTY
Massachusetts (Medicaid and CHIP)	<a href="http://www.mass.gov/MassHealth">http://www.mass.gov/MassHealth</a>	1-800-462-1120
Minnesota (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/">http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/</a> (click on "Health Care," then "Medical Assistance")	1-800-657-3629
Missouri (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.dss.mo.gov/mhd/participants/pages/hipp.htm">http://www.dss.mo.gov/mhd/participants/pages/hipp.htm</a>	573-751-2005
Montana (Medicaid)	<a href="http://medicaidprovider.hhs.mt.gov/clientpages/clientindex.shtml">http://medicaidprovider.hhs.mt.gov/clientpages/clientindex.shtml</a>	1-800-694-3084
Nebraska (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov">www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov</a>	1-800-383-4278
Nevada (Medicaid)	<a href="http://dwss.nv.gov/">http://dwss.nv.gov/</a>	1-800-992-0900
New Hampshire (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/oii/documents/hippapp.pdf">http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/oii/documents/hippapp.pdf</a>	603-271-5218
New Jersey (Medicaid and CHIP)	Medicaid: <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/clients/medicaid/">http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/clients/medicaid/</a> CHIP: <a href="http://www.njfamilycare.org/index.html">http://www.njfamilycare.org/index.html</a>	Medicaid: 1-800-356-1561 CHIP: 1-800-701-0710
New York (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.nyhealth.gov/health_care/medicaid/">http://www.nyhealth.gov/health_care/medicaid/</a>	1-800-541-2831
North Carolina (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dma">http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dma</a>	919-855-4100
North Dakota (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/">http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/</a>	1-800-755-2604
Oklahoma (Medicaid and CHIP)	<a href="http://www.insureoklahoma.org">http://www.insureoklahoma.org</a>	1-888-365-3742
Oregon (Medicaid and CHIP)	<a href="http://www.oregonhealthykids.gov">http://www.oregonhealthykids.gov</a> <a href="http://www.hijossaludablesoregon.gov">http://www.hijossaludablesoregon.gov</a>	1-877-314-5678
Pennsylvania (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/hipp">http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/hipp</a>	1-800-692-7462
Rhode Island (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.ohhs.ri.gov">www.ohhs.ri.gov</a>	401-462-5300
South Carolina (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.scdhhs.gov">http://www.scdhhs.gov</a>	1-888-549-0820
South Dakota (Medicaid)	<a href="http://dss.sd.gov">http://dss.sd.gov</a>	1-888-828-0059
Texas (Medicaid)	<a href="https://www.gethipptexas.com/">https://www.gethipptexas.com/</a>	1-800-440-0493
Utah (Medicaid)	<a href="http://health.utah.gov/upp">http://health.utah.gov/upp</a>	1-866-435-7414
Vermont (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.greenmountaincare.org/">http://www.greenmountaincare.org/</a>	1-800-250-8427
Virginia (Medicaid and CHIP)	Medicaid: <a href="http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/rcp-HIPP.htm">http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/rcp-HIPP.htm</a> CHIP: <a href="http://www.famis.org/">http://www.famis.org/</a>	Medicaid: 1-800-432-5924 CHIP: 1-866-873-2647
Washington (Medicaid)	<a href="http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/premiumpymt/Apply.shtm">http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/premiumpymt/Apply.shtm</a>	1-800-562-3022, Ext. 15473
West Virginia (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.dhhr.wv.gov/bms/">www.dhhr.wv.gov/bms/</a>	1-877-598-5820, HMS Third-Party Liability
Wisconsin (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.badgercareplus.org/pubs/p-10095.htm">http://www.badgercareplus.org/pubs/p-10095.htm</a>	1-800-362-3002
Wyoming (Medicaid)	<a href="http://www.health.wyo.gov/healthcarefin/equalitycare">http://www.health.wyo.gov/healthcarefin/equalitycare</a>	307-777-7531