Who Is Eligible for New Health Coverage for Adults?

More adults in Virginia now have access to quality, low-cost and no-cost health insurance. Thousands of Virginians can now get the health care they need so they don’t have to worry about getting sick or having an accident. You can apply for coverage at any time of the year.

If you work in retail, construction, childcare, landscaping, food service or any job that doesn’t offer health insurance, you may be able to get low-cost or no-cost health insurance. The new coverage will include regular preventive care as well as treatment for chronic health conditions.

Having reliable health insurance gives peace of mind and greater financial security. It helps individuals to be more productive in their jobs and allows families to spend more time together so that they can enjoy a high quality of life.

To qualify for the new health coverage, individuals must:

- Be a Virginia resident, ages 19-64
- Not already in or eligible for Medicare
- Meet income requirements, which vary by household size

For more information, visit www.coverva.org to find out:

- Who is eligible
- Household income requirements
- Other eligibility qualifications
- Answers to frequently asked questions

Answer five questions on the screening tool to find out if you may qualify for the new coverage for adults. New information is added regularly, so visit www.coverva.org often.

What Services are Included With the New Coverage?

- Doctor, hospital and emergency services, including primary and specialty care
- Prescription drugs
- Laboratory and X-ray services
- Maternity and newborn care
- Home health services
- Behavioral health services, including addiction and recovery treatment services
- Rehabilitative services, including physical, occupational and speech therapies
- Family planning services
- Medical equipment and supplies
- Preventive and wellness services, including annual wellness exams, immunizations, smoking cessation and nutritional counseling
- And more!

Use the eligibility screening tool at www.coverva.org to find out if you may qualify.
Frequently Asked Questions

When did the new coverage begin?
Coverage began on January 1, 2019. You can apply at any time of the year. There is no open enrollment period for Medicaid.

How do I apply?
Apply by phone at 1-855-242-8282 or online at www.commonhelp.virginia.gov or at www.healthcare.gov. You can also mail or drop off a paper application at your local Department of Social Services office.

Will I be able to get health coverage if I have a pre-existing condition?
Yes, this health coverage is available to you if you have a pre-existing condition as long as you meet eligibility requirements.

Will I be able to keep my current doctor?
With some limited exceptions, you will be asked to choose a health insurance company (called a “plan”) to coordinate your care and reimburse doctors and other providers for services you receive. Check with your doctors and other health care providers to find out whether they participate in one or more of these plans.

What health plans will be available?
There are 6 health plans. Information will be shared with you once your enrollment begins. Please visit coverva.org often for regular updates.

How do I select a plan?
New enrollees will be randomly assigned to a plan to ensure that their coverage is available as quickly as possible. Once enrolled, you will receive information on how to change plans and a side-by-side comparison of your six choices. You will have 90 days to change your plan if you would like to do so.

The rules have changed!
So, if you applied for Medicaid in the past and were denied, you may now be eligible. You can apply at any time of the year.

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