



# Medicaid Programs for Children

## What is Medicaid?

Medicaid is the state and federal partnership that provides health coverage for selected categories of individuals with low income and limited resources.

## Children's Programs

Medicaid has several programs to provide health coverage for children. This fact sheet will provide information on the Children, Zero through Five program and the Children, Six through 18 programs.

## Eligibility Criteria

- **Must meet**

- Wyoming Residency
- U.S. Citizenship/Immigration status
- Income Guidelines:
  - Children, Zero through age Five must have family income equal to or less than 154% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL)
  - Children, Six through age 18 must have family income equal to or less than 133% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL)
  - A 5% FPL income disregard is allowed if it would make a difference in eligibility

Family Size	133% FPL	154% FPL
1	\$1,305	\$1,511
2	\$1,766	\$2,045
3	\$2,227	\$2,579
4	\$2,688	\$3,113

\*The Federal Poverty Level guidelines may change in April each year.

- No resource requirement
- A child born to a mother, who was eligible for Medicaid at the time of birth, is automatically eligible for one year. An application is not required, but the child's name, birth date, and sex must be provided to the Wyoming Department of Health Customer Service Center.
- Applicants meeting all eligibility criteria, except U.S. Citizenship or Immigration Status, may be eligible for the Emergency Services program.

## Benefits Begin

Benefits begin the first day of the month an individual is determined eligible. Applicants may be eligible for retroactive benefits if they incurred medical bills during any of the three months prior to the month of application.

## Periodic Reviews

Eligibility is reviewed every 12 months



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## Benefits may be Lost

Benefits will close on the first day of the next month when any of the following occur:

- Client does not complete a periodic review
- Client enters a public institution
- Client is no longer a Wyoming resident
- Client turns age 19
- Client is determined no longer eligible

## Notification to Client

The Customer Service Center notifies the client of pending, approval, denial and closures by sending a notice.

## Reporting of Changes

The following changes need to be reported:

- Address
- Insurance
- Moving out of state

## For More Information

Please refer to the Wyoming Department of Health, Medicaid website at:  
<http://health.wyo.gov/healthcarefin/medicaideligibility>.

## To Apply

You can apply:

- Online at [www.wesystem.wyo.gov](http://www.wesystem.wyo.gov)
- Over the phone through the Wyoming Department of Health Customer Service Center at 855-294-2127
- Mail paper applications to WDH Customer Service Center 6101 Yellow Stone Road, Suite 259D Cheyenne, WY 82002
- Fax application to 855-329-5205
- Email application to [wesapplications@wyo.gov](mailto:wesapplications@wyo.gov)