

Facts About MassHealth Standard

MassHealth Standard is a health plan for people living in Massachusetts who have a low income. This sheet has facts about the insurance program and how to sign up. There is also a list of phone numbers and a website to contact for help and more information.

What does MassHealth Standard pay for?

It includes these services:

- Doctor visits, including special check-ups for people under age 21
- Dental and eye care
- Hospital stays and visits
- Prescription drugs
- Medical equipment and supplies, like wheelchairs, hearing aids, or oxygen tanks
- Home-health care
- Physical, occupational, and speech therapy
- Mental health and substance abuse services
- Transportation services

Who Can Get MassHealth Standard?

Different groups of people with low incomes can get MassHealth Standard. All adults need to be citizens or have had a green card for 5 years or more to sign up. Children just need a social security number to sign up. Children can get MassHealth Standard even if their parents do not have social security numbers or a green card. Here are five groups who can get MassHealth Standard:

- Children under 19 in families with income below 200% of the federal poverty level
- Pregnant women with income below 200% of the federal poverty level
- Parents (of a child under 19) with income below 133% of the federal poverty level
- People with disabilities who have income below 133% of the federal poverty level
- Women with breast or cervical cancer who have income below 250% of the federal poverty level

See the other side of this sheet to find out what percent of the federal poverty level your family income is.

How much does MassHealth Standard cost?

Most people with MassHealth Standard do not have to pay any premium (amount you pay each month). Some groups do need to pay monthly premiums, though:

- Women with breast or cervical cancer who have income above 150% of the federal poverty level will pay monthly premiums between \$15-\$72 depending on their income
- All adults with MassHealth Standard pay \$1 or \$3 for prescription drugs when they need them

How do I apply?

You should fill out a MassHealth application. The application is called a Medical Benefit Request, or MBR. When you send the application to MassHealth, they will enroll you in the best program you can get. Then, MassHealth will send a notice telling you what program you get.

You can get an application at your health center or hospital, or ask MassHealth for an application by calling 1-888-665-9993. Also, you can call the Health Care For All Helpline at 1-800-272-4232, where you will get help filling out an application over the phone.

Have questions, need help, or want to learn more?

- Call the Health Care For All Helpline at 1-800-272-4232
- Call MassHealth at 1-888-665-9993
- Visit MassHealth online at <http://mass.gov/masshealth>

Your income is below 133% of the federal poverty level if you:

- Are single (1 person) and make less than \$13,848 each year before taxes
- Have 2 people in your family and make less than \$18,636 each year before taxes
- Have 3 people in your family and make less than \$23,424 each year before taxes
- Have 4 people in your family and make less than \$28,212 each year before taxes
- Have 5 people in your family and make less than \$33,000 each year before taxes
- Have 6 people in your family and make less than \$37,788 each year before taxes
- Have 7 people in your family and make less than \$42,576 each year, before taxes
- Have 8 people in your family and make less than \$47,364 each year, before taxes

Your income is below 200% of the federal poverty level if you:

- Are single (1 person) and make less than \$20,808 each year before taxes
- Have 2 people in your family and make less than \$28,008 each year before taxes
- Have 3 people in your family and make less than \$35,208 each year before taxes
- Have 4 people in your family and make less than \$42,408 each year before taxes
- Have 5 people in your family and make less than \$49,608 each year before taxes
- Have 6 people in your family and make less than \$56,808 each year before taxes
- Have 7 people in your family and make less than \$64,008 each year before taxes
- Have 8 people in your family and make less than \$71,208 each year before taxes

Your income is below 250% of the federal poverty level if you:

- Are a single person and make less than \$26,016 each year before taxes
- Have 2 people in your family and make less than \$35,016 each year before taxes
- Have 3 people in your family and make less than \$44,016 each year before taxes
- Have 4 people in your family and make less than \$53,016 each year before taxes
- Have 5 people in your family and make less than \$62,016 each year before taxes
- Have 6 people in your family and make less than \$71,016 each year before taxes
- Have 7 people in your family and make less than \$80,016 each year before taxes
- Have 8 people in your family and make less than \$89,016 each year before taxes

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