



COLORADO

Department of Health Care
Policy & Financing

303 E. 17th Ave. Suite 1100
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RE: Cover All Coloradans impact to School Health Services

Dear School District Personnel and their Contracted Billing Agents:

Starting on January 1, 2025, children and pregnant people can get health coverage no matter what their immigration status is under a new program called “Cover All Coloradans” (CAC). Cover All Coloradans is a Health First Colorado and Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+) lookalike program pursuant to [House Bill \(HB\) 22-1289](#). For more details about who is eligible for this new program, including a list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), visit the [Cover All Coloradans](#) website.

Cover All Coloradans will use state general funds to cover children and CHP+ funds to cover pregnant people. School districts and Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) receive Medicaid reimbursement through the School Health Services (SHS) program with federal matching dollars for services covered under Title XIX of the Social Security Act. SHS reimbursement funding is based on a student’s Medicaid enrollment and is separate from the Cover All Coloradans funding sources. Because Cover All Coloradans is not funded using Title XIX federal funds, students enrolled in Cover All Coloradans will not be counted towards the Medicaid Enrollment Rate (MER) and Individual Education Program (IEP) ratios of participating school districts and BOCES and will not impact Medicaid reimbursement received through the SHS program.

Fee-for-service claims for students enrolled in Cover All Coloradans are also not allowable through the SHS program. Although SHS program claims are paid at zero, Cover All Coloradans claims may impact transportation ratios and therefore transportation reimbursement, and are not reimbursable through SHS. Services for students with CAC Medicaid enrollment indicator CM, MO, or MP and CHP+ enrollment indicator CC, CO, or CP submitted through the SHS program will be denied.

No changes have been made to SHS as it relates to CHP+ enrollment. CHP+ claims are still not allowable under the SHS program.

Questions regarding the SHS Program should be directed to Program Administrator Olga Gintchin at olga.gintchin@state.co.us or Special Financing Deputy Division Director Shannon Huska at shannon.huska@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Adela Flores-Brennan".

Adela Flores-Brennan
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