



## POLICY MEMO

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### **Purpose and Audience:**

The purpose of this Policy Memo is to inform eligibility sites of the Reproductive Health Care services adopted through Senate Bill 21-009. This memo includes guidance for all Medical Assistance eligibility categories. Please share this memo with all eligibility staff, supervisors, and outside agencies, as appropriate.

### **Information:**

Senate Bill 21-009 requires the Department to provide Reproductive Health Care services to individuals who meet eligibility requirements for Health First Colorado Medicaid programs, except for the citizenship requirements. These added services will now align policy according to Colorado Revised Statutes 25.5-2-103, 25.5-5-102 (1)(h), and 25.5-1-201 (1)(f.5), effective July 1, 2022.

The Reproductive Health Care Services will allow specific individuals who are not otherwise eligible for coverage under any other Medicaid program due to their citizenship or immigration status to receive reproductive health services. There are no restrictions on this benefit related to sex or gender identity. The new limited Reproductive Health Care Services will increase members' access to limited family planning services such as contraceptive methods and family

planning counseling services, allowing members to focus on preventing, delaying, or planning for a pregnancy.

#### Application Updates

Applicants and members will be able to apply for the Reproductive Health Care Services through all available application modes such as over the phone, online via PEAK, in person, fax, through their renewal, or other commonly available electronic means. A new question has been added to the Health First Colorado and Child Health Plan *Plus* (CHP+) paper application, the joint program Single Purpose Application, and the Renewal Packet to give individuals the option to apply and be considered for these services. Individuals who choose not to apply for the services will not be determined for eligibility under the Reproductive Health Care Services program. Individuals who fail to answer the question on the application will automatically be considered as not requesting assistance for these services. Members who have enrolled in the Reproductive Health Care Services may request to disenroll from receiving these services at any time.

Members who are determined eligible for the Reproductive Health Care Services will receive these services for a 12-month period or until the case is redetermined at the end of their renewal period. The member's recertification process will align with the policy under 10 CCR 2505-10 8.100.3.P; additional renewal guidance for Medical Assistance programs can be found under HCPF Operational Memo 22-003.

The new Reproductive Health Care Services will be updated in the Colorado Benefits Management System (CBMS) and this policy will be effective July 1, 2022.

#### **Attachment(s):**

None

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