



Home Maintenance Allowance Quick Reference

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- **Definition**

- The Home Maintenance Allowance (HMA) is a benefit for Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program) Members who are temporarily staying in a Nursing Facility (NF). It helps individuals who have no family at home, to maintain their home during temporary nursing facility stays.

- **Eligibility**

- Members who plan to return home from a Nursing Facility within 6 months
- Members who have no family at home
- Home Maintenance Allowance is based on verified home expenses such as mortgage, rent, or lease payments, taxes, utilities to prevent freeze, etc.

- **Where to Start**

- Members must have a licensed medical professional complete the [Home Maintenance Allowance Physician Statement Form](#) confirming it is medically reasonable that they will return to the community within 6 months. This signed form must be provided to the county eligibility worker.
- Eligibility workers, hospital staff, and anyone helping the Member should communicate the necessary verification documents (by email, mail, or fax) to the [skilled nursing facility](#) to ensure the HMA can be accurately calculated on the 5615 form.

Other Resources

File a Complaint

Complete the Health First Colorado and CHP+ Grievance Form to file a complaint against the County Department of Human Services (DHS), Eligibility Site, Regional Accountable Entity (RAE), Case Management Agency (CMA), or other contractors or agencies.

Contact HCPF

Members, providers, and general contacts can email: hcpf.colorado.gov/contact-hcpf

