

HCPF/Eligibility Sites Monthly Touch base

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Agenda

- Welcome
- Renewal Requirements Project
- Feedback on the Renewal Packet Design
- LTSS 60 Day Extension Project Update
- Open Forum

Project CCPM -10595 CBMS MA Renewal CMS Guideline Updates June 2025

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Policy Summary

On March 15, 2024, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services issued guidance to all states, outlining important information for conducting renewals consistent with federal Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program(CHP+) requirements.

The Department's goal is to comply with the federal renewal requirements to ensure that individuals eligible for Medicaid or CHIP can successfully renew their coverage. If the Department fails to comply with these federal renewal requirements, the Department anticipates that CMS may place it on a corrective action plan until the renewal process is adequately addressed and brought into compliance.



Project Implementation

The Department will implement the CMS renewal requirements in different phases because of how big the scope of these changes are. The goal for completing all requirements is no later than June of 2027.

Phase 1: Project CCPM 10595 is scheduled for June 2025 and will impact September 2025 renewals.



System Updates

Members who returned their renewal form or requested documentation by the end of their eligibility renewal period must maintain coverage until a final determination is made.

> CBMS will reinstate coverage immediately and automatically for individuals whose coverage was terminated at Final Review (15th of Renewal month).

Members who get terminated at final review and who submitted renewal form or documentation by the end of the eligibility renewal period.

- > CBMS will automatically generate a **New Reinstatement Notice** to notify the member their benefit coverage has been reinstated and that a final determination has not yet been made.
- CBMS will generate a system case comment upon the automatic reinstatement of an individual.

County Dashboard Updates

- > A column with an indicator and the ability to filter the column will be added when a renewal is extended for a member who returns their renewal form or documentation by the end of the eligibility renewal period.
- > This indicator will help eligibility sites to keep track of their timeliness and compliance with performance standards.
- MAP Dashboards will continue to be the data source that will be used to hold eligibility sites accountable to meeting expectations.



System Updates

Children moving into a lower benefit category at Ex Parte.

> If a child is eligible in a lower benefit category, a renewal packet will be sent to the household. At final review if they do not return the renewal packet, the child must be enrolled in the new benefit category, such as CHP+.

Renewal VCL Cover Letter Language Updates

New language to the renewal VCL cover letter was added to specify which members in the home we are requesting renewal documentation for.

Income Interfaces at Renewal

> During the MA Ex Parte process, CBMS will not check the income interfaces (FDSH/Equifax/IEVS) if income is verified within the 6-month lookback period.

PEAK Enhancements at Renewal

- > When a Medical Assistance Renewal is in "Started Status" in CBMS, any changes reported in the Health First Colorado App or PEAK should not cause RTE to run for MA.
- > The changes reported will go to the PEAK Inbox for processing.



Questions?



Feedback on the Renewal Packet Design

Kristen Lundy | Member Content Strategy and Compliance Manager Sarah Davis | Stakeholder Engagement Team Lead and Senior Advisor



We Want to Hear from You

- Which parts of the renewal packet do you find most helpful or clear, and why?
- Are there specific sections or terms in the renewal packet that are confusing or unclear? Please specify.
- What changes or improvements would make the renewal packet more user-friendly?
 - Please provide feedback by the end of February



CMS Model Authorized Representative

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By signing, I agree to fulfill all authorized representative responsibilities. An authorized representative is a trusted person or organization who helps the applicant or member apply for or renew benefits, and communicates with Health First Colorado on the applicant's or member's behalf about applying and renewing benefits. An authorized representative can talk with us about the renewal form and see member and applicant information. I understand authorized representatives do not have power of attorney or guardianship responsibilities for the applicant or member.

I agree to maintain the confidentiality of any information regarding the applicant or member in compliance with state, federal, and all other applicable laws. If an authorized representative is an organization, the signature of an organizational contact who is either a provider, staff member or volunteer of the organization is required. As a provider, staff member or volunteer of an organization which is an authorized representative, I affirm that I will adhere to the regulations in 42 CFR §431, Subpart F and to 45 CFR §155.260(f), and 42 CFR §447.10, as well as all other relevant state and federal laws concerning conflicts of interests and confidentiality of information.

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LTSS 60-day Extension Update

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LTSS 60-day Extension Update

Good News! CMS has given approval to allow for the 60-day extension to apply for 12 months (through December 2025 renewals)

Previously we only had authority until June 30, 2025

New Change: CMS clarified that we cannot apply 60-day extension to over income and over resource terminations

- System changes are needed to apply these terminations to the list of exceptions. This will be done with the build scheduled for March 8th.
 - > Exceptions to 60-day extensions:
 - Death
 - No longer a Colorado resident
 - Withdrawal from the program

- Incarceration
- Over Income (as of March 8th)
- Over Resources (as of March 8th)



Call Out Items From the CBMS Communication

These updates will be made through a March 2025 CBMS project.

 Training will be updated and KT release notes will be provided specific to these updates- refer to KT release notes for project 10867 in March

In the meantime anyone whose eligibility is run prior to the project will still have the 60-day extension applied to over income and over resources.





Call Out Items From the CBMS Communication

- COGNOS Report
 - > MA LTC and Buy-In Eligibility Extension
- Member Outreach
 - Auto-dialer Campaign
 - > Text/Email Campaign
- NFs/PACE/ICFs/CMAs



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