# Supporting SWSHE Participants through the Medicaid Renewal Process

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### Why Medicaid Enrollment Matters

- Health First Colorado members have comprehensive access to medically necessary services, including:
  - Physical Health benefits
  - Dental benefits
  - Behavioral Health (mental health and substance use) benefits, including supportive services
- Membership requires:
  - Enrollment to determine eligibility
  - Annual Renewal for most members to confirn continued eligibility

## Returning to the Standard Renewal Process

- Following the end of the PHE, Health First Colorado has returned to the normal, pre-pandemic eligibility renewal processes.
- Eligible populations include:
  - Children ages 0-18 whose household income does not exceed 142% Federal Poverty Level (FPL)
  - Pregnant women whose household income does not exceed 195% FPL
  - ☐ Parents and caretaker relatives (applicant must have a dependent child) whose household income does not exceed 68% FPL
  - ☐ Adults without dependent children whose household income does not exceed 133% FPL

## Returning to the Standard Renewal Process

- For a small portion of members annual renewal is automatic
  - These members include individuals with recent information already on file in CBMS to determine eligibility, such as historic incomes less than 100% FLP
- All other members must complete the renewal process annually to confirm they continue to meet eligibility criteria

### Returning to the Standard Disenrollment Process

- Any member who does not complete the renewal process will be disenrolled (ie. procedural denial)
- If a member submits paperwork within 90 days after losing Medicaid coverage, their eligibility can be checked (ie. reconsideration period) and re-application is not required.
- If a member is disenrolled, and re-applies if enrollment is reinstated, eligibility may be made retroactive up to 3 months prior to the month of application, meaning services delivered during this period are reimbursable.

# Renewal Data on SWSHE Participants

- 11.5% of the 715 active SWSHE participants have been disenrolled from Medicaid as of May 16th
- These 82 people are served by 22 of the 28 SWSHE grantees

## Supporting SWSHE Participants with Medicaid Renewal

As part of wraparound services and care coordination, SWSHE grantees are expected to assist members with:

- Filling out Medicaid renewal paperwork to prevent disenrollment
- Completing the reinstatement process to address procedural disenrollments
- Referring members to their MCE for escalation of complex issues

### Supporting SWSHE Participants with Medicaid Renewal

In order to support SWSHE grantees with this, HCPF will:

- Send a list of renewal dates for SWSHE participants
- Send a list of currently disenrolled participants

### Medicaid Renewal through PEAK

- Colorado PEAK is an online platform that any Coloradan can use to apply for or manage State of Colorado benefits
- PEAKPro is an online tool for authorized assisters who help people in Colorado apply for and manage their benefits
- SWSHE grantees may want to consider gaining access to PEAKPro to provide ongoing benefit support to participants

#### Medicaid Renewal Resources

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- PHE Resource Center
- Understanding the Renewal Process
- Preparing for Renewals: A Communications Toolkit

#### **Training Guides**

- Update your contact information and communication preferences (PDF)
- <u>Update your address</u> (PDF)
- <u>Upload a document</u> (PDF)

#### **Questions?**

- Call Health First Colorado Enrollment at
  - 303-839-2120 (in Denver) or 1-888-367-6557 (outside of Denver)
- County-specific support available:
  - https://cdhs.colorado.gov/contact-your-county

#### Questions on Voucher Allocations?

Please contact DOLA with questions regarding voucher allocations and how this may or may not be impacted by Medicaid enrollment

Contact <u>Zac Schaffner</u>
DOLA/DOH, Community Partnerships & Development Manager

Also reference DOLA/DOH's guidance document on <u>Voucher Allocation</u> <u>Guidance & Post-SWSHE Enrollment Deadline Referral Planning</u>

# Reminders on Ongoing TA Opportunities

- CSH: Technical Assistance on Preparing for Medicaid Provider Enrollment
  - Monthly on the third Thursday, 1:00pm-2:00pm
- HCPF: Monthly Office Hours on Medicaid Provider Enrollment Support
  - Monthly on the last Thursday from 2-3pm
  - Register via Zoom



#### Contact Info

For any questions or concerns, please contact HCPF\_housing\_supports@state.co.us and your question will be directed to the appropriate people



### Thank you!