



Healthy Kids no-cost program now open to more kids

Low-cost and full-cost Healthy KidsConnect program ends December 31, 2013

Background

Important changes are happening to Oregon's Healthy Kids program. Below is an outline of each change and when it's happening.

Healthy Kids no-cost program open to more kids

On August 24, 2013, the Healthy Kids no-cost program – which is part of the Oregon Health Plan (OHP) – opened to even more Oregon kids and teens 0-18 years old.

Now, families who earn up to 300 percent of the Federal Poverty Level can qualify for no-cost health coverage for their kids. For example, a family of four who earns up to about \$70,183 a year (about \$5,988 a month), may qualify for no-cost coverage. A new income guide is available on the next page. There are no monthly costs or copays for children with no-cost Healthy Kids coverage.

Why this is happening

This is happening because of changes made by the Oregon Legislature to provide a no-cost health coverage option for kids. The new law opens the no-cost Healthy Kids plan to more families and ends the Healthy KidsConnect program (low- and full-cost options).

Healthy KidsConnect program ends December 31, 2013

Because Oregon is opening the Healthy Kids no-cost program to more kids, the low-cost and full-cost Healthy KidsConnect program is no longer needed. Healthy KidsConnect closed to new members on August 24, 2013, and will close completely on December 31, 2013.

Healthy KidsConnect families with low-cost coverage will move to OHP

Current Healthy KidsConnect members can keep their low- and full-cost Healthy KidsConnect coverage until December 31, 2013.

On January 1, 2014, families with low-cost Healthy KidsConnect coverage will automatically move to the Oregon Health Plan's no-cost Healthy Kids program.

Families do not need to renew their low-cost Healthy KidsConnect coverage if they are scheduled to do so between October 2013 and March 2014. Instead, on January 1 their children will automatically move to the no-cost program and their children's coverage will extend another six (6) months. For example, if a family is scheduled to renew their child's coverage in December 2013, their coverage will extend to May 2014.

How will families know about these changes?

Families affected by these changes will be sent a letter in the mail. Many families have already received information in the mail about these changes.

What if I have full-cost coverage?

If your child is in the full-cost option, you will be contacted directly by a representative from the Healthy KidsConnect program. The full-cost option will end on December 31, 2013.

New coverage options for Oregonians

If you make too much money for OHP and Healthy Kids, you can apply for private health insurance through a Cover Oregon paper application. Cover Oregon is the state's new online marketplace where people can compare health plans and get help paying for health insurance.

At Cover Oregon, you fill out one application to find out what you qualify for, including:

- The Oregon Health Plan or Healthy Kids;
- Private health insurance;
- Financial help to lower the cost of your private health insurance.

You can get more information at CoverOregon.com.

Open enrollment began in October 2013

Apply for health coverage at Cover Oregon starting in October 2013.

For more information and for help applying, visit CoverOregon.com or call Customer Service at 1-855-CoverOR (1-855-268-3767) or 711 (TTY).

New income guide for Healthy Kids no-cost coverage

Family Size	Maximum Income
2	\$48,857 per year (\$3,944 per month)
3	\$61,520 per year (\$4,966 per month)
4	\$74,183 per year (\$5,988 per month)
5	\$86,846 per year (\$7,009 per month)