



## Medicaid Benefits for Newly Eligible

Beginning January 1, 2014, more Coloradans will be eligible for free or low cost coverage through Colorado Medicaid. The newly eligible will include adults without children and parents making up to 133% of the Federal Poverty Level, which is an annual income of about \$15,000 for an individual or \$31,000 a year for a family of four.

### Medicaid Benefits

Currently, Medicaid offers the following benefits and services: primary care, behavioral health, hospitalization, rehabilitative services, laboratory services, outpatient care, prescription drugs, emergency care, dental care, maternity care and newborn care.

The benefit package for newly eligible Medicaid clients will be largely the same as the current Medicaid benefits, including the new dental benefit and enhanced mental health and substance use disorder benefit.

In accordance with federal law, the newly eligible Medicaid clients will receive preventive and wellness services as defined by the [U.S. Preventive Services Task Force](#). Preventive and wellness services include aspirin use, blood pressure screening, breast cancer screening, cholesterol screening, depression screening, healthy diet counseling, sexually transmitted disease prevention counseling, tobacco use screening and counseling and others. In an effort to align Medicaid benefits, the current Medicaid benefit package will be expanded to include these preventive and wellness services.

Additionally, the newly eligible Medicaid clients will receive habilitative services, which are considered to help individuals maintain skills necessary for daily living.

### CMS Approval

The benefit package for the newly eligible providing general Medicaid coverage, additional preventive and wellness services and habilitative services, must be approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing will update this document when additional information is available.

To find out if you or members of your family are eligible for Medicaid, Child Health Plan *Plus* (CHP+) or financial assistance to help purchase health insurance through Connect for Health Colorado marketplace visit or call:



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