

Medicaid Annual Renewals and Young Adults

How do I ensure I get the paperwork to keep my Medicaid?

Many young adults have been able to keep their Medicaid for Kids active during the course of the pandemic. If you are 19 or older and still enrolled in MO HealthNet for Kids, you may need to provide updated information to the Family Support Division (FSD) to ensure your coverage remains active.

Starting April 1, 2023, FSD resumed annual renewals of eligibility for all Medicaid recipients. FSD will send this renewal paperwork to the mailing address for the head of household on your case.

Who is the head of household?

1. If you have applied for coverage and listed yourself as the head of household, you are considered your own head of household. FSD will send mail to the address listed on the application.
2. If you have **not** applied for coverage to list yourself as the head of household, the head of household for your case is likely a parent or guardian. FSD will send mail to the address for that person, even if you – the young adult – no longer reside at the address with them.

What happens if I am not the head of household for my case?

The actions you, as a young adult, can take depends on whether you live at the same or different address as your listed head of household:

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<p>You need to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Watch for mail from FSD addressed to the head of household 2. Make sure to return the requested information 3. Wait for a redetermination based on their updated information <p>Note: If FSD determines you are eligible for some type of Medicaid coverage, they will send a notice about it to the head of household.</p> <p>If FSD determines you are not eligible for a Medicaid program, they will send a notice that you are losing coverage, and that you can apply for Marketplace insurance at Healthcare.gov.</p>	<p>You can:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Submit a new application for Medicaid coverage on FSD's website (mydssapp.mo.gov)¹ 2. On the application, list yourself as the head of household, so FSD will send you all paperwork related to your case including that needed for the annual renewal process. <p>Note: Reporting a change that you live at a different address than your head of household will not ensure that you will get the paperwork needed to maintain coverage.</p> <p>If you are newly eligible for AEG coverage and live at a different address you should actively reapply and list yourself as the "head of household."</p>

¹ Applying for coverage before your annual renewal date may result in loss of coverage if found ineligible.