

Health
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APPLICATION

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for Children,
Adults and
Families

health care



INSTRUCTIONS

CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT All of the information you provide on this application will remain confidential. The only people who will see this information are the Facilitated Enrollers and the State or local agencies and health plans who need to know this information in order to determine if you (the applicant) and your household members are eligible. The person helping you with this application cannot discuss the information with anyone, except a supervisor or the State or local agencies or health plans which need this information.

PURPOSE OF THIS APPLICATION Complete this application if you want health insurance to cover medical expenses. This application can be used to apply for Medicaid, Family Health Plus, Child Health Plus, the Family Planning Benefit Program, or for assistance paying your health insurance premiums. You can apply for yourself and/or immediate family members living with you.

IF YOU NEED HELP COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION DUE TO A DISABILITY, CALL YOUR LOCAL DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES. THEY WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO PROVIDE REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS TO ADDRESS YOUR NEEDS.

PLEASE READ the entire application booklet before you begin to fill out the application. If you are applying ONLY for children or if you are a pregnant woman applying alone, you must complete only **Sections A through G and Sections I and J**. Other applicants must complete all sections.

If you are 65 years old or older, certified blind, certified disabled, or institutionalized and applying for coverage of nursing home care, you must **also complete Supplement A**. The supplement includes questions about your resources, such as money in the bank or property you own.

Whenever you see the words **SEND PROOF** on the application refer to the “Documentation Needed When You Apply for Health Insurance” section for a listing of acceptable supporting documents.

HOW TO GET HELP When applying for public health insurance, you **DO NOT** need to visit your local department of social services or a Facilitated Enroller for an interview, but you **MAY** come in or contact a Facilitated Enroller for help filling out this application. **You can get a list of Facilitated Enrollers where you got this application, or by calling 1-800-698-4543. ALL HELP IS FREE.**

[\(1-877-898-5849 TTY line for the hearing impaired\)](#)

SECTION A Applicant's Information

We need to be able to contact the people applying for health insurance. The home address is where the people applying for health insurance live. The mailing address, if different, is where you want us to send health insurance cards and notices about your case. You can also tell us if you want someone else to get information about your case and/or to be able to discuss your case.

SECTION B Household Information

Please include information for everyone who lives with you even if they are not applying for health insurance. It is important that you list everyone who lives with you so that we can make a correct eligibility decision. Include maiden name (legal name before marriage), if this applies to the person. Also include City, State and Country of birth. If a person was born outside of the United States, just write the country of birth. We also need, for each person applying, his/her mother's full maiden name (first and last name). This information may be used to obtain proof of the applicant's birth date under certain circumstances.

- **Is this person pregnant?** If so, when is her baby due to be born? This information helps us determine the size of your family. A pregnant woman counts as two people.
- **Relationship to the person on Line 1.** Explain how each person is related to the person listed on Line 1 (for example, spouse, child, step-child, brother, sister, niece, nephew, etc.)

- **Public Health Coverage.** If you or anyone who lives with you is already enrolled or was previously enrolled in Medicaid, Family Health Plus, Child Health Plus, the Family Planning Benefit Program, or any other form of public assistance such as Food Stamps, we need to know. Also, tell us the identification number on the New York State Benefit Identification Card or plan identification card for Child Health Plus.

- **Social Security Number.** A Social Security Number should be provided for all persons applying, if the person has one. If the person does not have a Social Security Number, leave this box blank.

- **Citizenship and Immigration Status.** This information is needed only for those people applying for health insurance. Pregnant women do not have to complete this question. To be eligible for health insurance, other persons age 19 and over must be U.S. citizens or be in an eligible immigration category. We need to see either original documentation of U.S. citizenship and identity, or certified copies of these documents. Please contact your local department of social services or call 1-800-698-4543 to find out where you can bring these documents. Please note that if you are on Medicare, or receiving Social Security Disability but are not yet eligible for Medicare, it is not necessary to document citizenship or identity.

Effective July 1, 2010, citizen children who provide their Social Security Number are not required to provide identity or citizenship documentation if eligible for Child Health Plus.

Children who are New York State residents and do not have other health insurance are eligible, regardless of their immigration status.

DOCUMENTS NEEDED WHEN YOU APPLY FOR HEALTH INSURANCE

Your enrollment cannot be completed until all NECESSARY items are received. *If you need help getting any of these items, let us know.*

YOU DO NOT NEED TO SHOW US ALL OF THESE DOCUMENTS. We only need documents that apply to you or others who are applying. We will need to see original or certified copies of documents for identity and U.S. citizenship. Please contact your local department of social services or call 1-800-698-4543 to find out where you can bring identity and U.S. citizenship documents. Many local departments of social services and Child Health Plus health plans do not accept original documents by mail, so please check with them if you wish to mail these documents. Copies of other documents can be mailed with your application.

You need to provide proof of Identity, U.S. Citizenship and/or Immigration Status and Date of Birth.

Effective 7/1/10, citizen children who provide a social security number are not required to provide identity or citizenship documentation if eligible for Child Health Plus. You can provide ONE of the following documents to prove both U.S. Citizenship, Identity and your Date of Birth:

- U.S. passport book/card **OR**
- Certificate of Naturalization (DHS Forms N-550 or N-570) **OR**
- Certificate of U.S. Citizenship (DHS Forms N-560 or N-561) **OR**
- NYS Enhanced Driver's License (EDL).

When one of the above documents is not available, ONE document from EACH of the lists below may be used to prove your citizenship and/or identity. This list is not all-inclusive. If you do not have one of these documents, please refer to the "How to Get Help" section of the instructions.

Documents with * next to it also show date of birth

U.S. Citizenship

- U.S. Birth Certificate *
- Certification of Birth issued by Department of State (Forms FS-545 or DS-1350)*
- Report of Birth Abroad (FS-240)
- U.S. National ID card (Form I-197 or I-179)
- Native American Tribal Document*
- Religious/School Records*
- Military record of service showing U.S. place of birth
- Final adoption decree
- Evidence of qualifying for U.S. citizenship under the Child Citizenship Act of 2000

Identity

- State Driver's license or ID card with photo*
- ID card issued by a federal, state, or local government agency
- U.S. Military card or draft record or U.S Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Card
- School ID card with a photo (may also show date of birth)
- Certificate of Degree of Indian blood or other Native American/Alaska Native tribal document with photo
- Verified School, Nursery or Daycare records (for children under 16) (may also show date of birth)
- Clinic, Doctor or Hospital records (for children under 16)*

If you do not use one of the documents that show date of birth, you must also submit one of the following:

- Marriage certificate
- NYS Benefit Identification Card

DOCUMENTS NEEDED WHEN YOU APPLY FOR HEALTH INSURANCE

If you are not a U.S. Citizen

The list below contains some of the most common United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) forms used to show your immigration status. This list is not all-inclusive. If you do not have one of these documents, please refer to the “How to Get Help” section of the instructions.

We need to see **ONE** of the following documents to prove both Immigration Status, Identity and your Date of Birth:
Documents with * next to it also show date of birth

Immigration Status/Identity

- I-551 Permanent Resident Card (“Green Card”)*
- I-688B or I-766 Employment Authorization Card*

Immigration Status, but require an additional Identity document

- Evidence of Continuous U.S. Residence prior to January 1, 1972

Home Address: This address must match the home address that you write in Section A of the application. The proof must be dated within 6 months of when you signed the application.

- Lease/letter/rent receipt with your home address from landlord
- Utility Bill (gas, electric, phone, cable, fuel or water)
- Property tax records or mortgage statement
- Driver’s license (if issued in the past 6 months)
- Government ID card with address
- Postmarked envelope or post card (cannot use if sent to a P.O. Box)

PROOF OF CURRENT INCOME, OR INCOME YOU MIGHT GET IN THE FUTURE LIKE UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OR A LAWSUIT: You must provide a letter, written statement, or copy of check or stubs, from the employer, person or agency providing the income. YOU DO NOT NEED TO SHOW US ALL OF THESE DOCUMENTS, only the ones that apply to you and the people living with you. One proof for each type of income you have is required. Provide the most recent proof of income before taxes and any other deductions. The proof must be dated, include the employee’s name and show gross income for the pay period. The proof must be for the last four weeks, whether you get paid weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly. It is important that these be current.

Wages and Salary

- Paycheck stubs
- Letter from employer on company letterhead, signed and dated
- Current signed and dated income tax return and all Schedules
- Business/payroll records

Self-Employment

- Current signed and dated income tax return and all Schedules
- Records of earnings and expenses/business records

Unemployment Benefits

- Award letter/certificate
- Monthly benefit statement from NYS Department of Labor
- Printout of recipient’s account information from the NYS Department of Labor’s website (www.labor.state.ny.us)
- Copy of Direct Payment Card with printout
- Correspondence from the NYS Department of Labor

Private Pensions/Annuities

- Statement from pension/annuity

Social Security

- Award letter/certificate
- Annual benefit statement
- Correspondence from Social Security Administration

Workers’ Compensation

- Award letter
- Check stub

Child Support/Alimony

- Letter from person providing support
- Letter from court
- Child support/alimony check stub
- Copy of NY Epicard with printout
- Copy of child support account information from www.newyorkchildsupport.com
- Copy of bank statement showing direct deposit

Veterans’ Benefits

- Award letter
- Benefit check stub
- Correspondence from Veterans Affairs

Military Pay

- Award letter
- Check stub

Income from Rent or Room/Board

- Letter from roomer, boarder, tenant
- Check stub

Interest/Dividends/Royalties

- Recent statement from bank, credit union or financial institution
- Letter from broker
- Letter from agent
- 1099 or tax return (if no other documentation is available)

Support from Other Family Members

- Signed statement or letter from family member

DOCUMENTS NEEDED WHEN YOU APPLY FOR HEALTH INSURANCE

If you pay to have care for your children or parents while you work, provide one of the following:

- Written statement from day care center or other child/adult care provider
- Canceled checks or receipts that show your payments

Proof of health insurance, provide all that apply:

- Proof of current insurance (Insurance policy, Certificate of Insurance or Insurance Card)
- Health Insurance Termination Letter
- Medicare Card (Red, White and Blue Card)

Pregnant women only: proof of pregnancy, provide one of the following:

- Presumptive Eligibility Screening Worksheet for pregnant women completed by a qualified provider that tells us the expected date of delivery
- Statement from medical professional (such as a doctor or nurse practitioner) with the expected date of delivery
- WIC Medical Referral Form that tells us the expected date of delivery

If you have medical bills in the last three months, provide all the following:

For determination of eligibility for medical expenses from the past three months:

- Proof of income for the month(s) in which the expense was incurred
- Proof of residency/home address for the month(s) in which the expense was incurred
- Medical bills for last three months, whether or not you paid them

ACCESS NY HEALTH CARE Medicaid / Family Health Plus / Child Health Plus

PLEASE READ the entire application and INSTRUCTIONS before you fill it out. Print clearly in blue or black ink. An incomplete application cannot be processed and will result in a delay of a decision on your application.

Section A Applicant's Information

Please tell us who you are and how to contact you.

Legal First Name		Middle Initial		Legal Last Name	
Primary Phone #		Another Phone #		What Language Do You Speak?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Home	<input type="checkbox"/> Cell	<input type="checkbox"/> Work	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Home	<input type="checkbox"/> Cell
<input type="checkbox"/> Work	<input type="checkbox"/> Other				
HOME ADDRESS		SEND PROOF			
of the persons applying for health insurance					
<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if homeless					
MAILING ADDRESS					
of the persons applying for health insurance if different from above.					
OPTIONAL: If there is another person you would like to receive your Medicaid notices, please provide this person's contact information.					
I want this contact person to:					
<input type="checkbox"/> Check all that apply <input type="checkbox"/> Apply for and/or renew Medicaid for me <input type="checkbox"/> Discuss my Medicaid application or case, if needed <input type="checkbox"/> Get notices and correspondence					
Street		City		State	
Apt.#		Zip Code		County	
Street		City		State	
Apt.#		Zip Code		County	
Street		City		State	
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Phone #					
<input type="checkbox"/> Home		<input type="checkbox"/> Cell		<input type="checkbox"/> Work	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other					

Section B Household Information

If you live in the household, start with yourself. If you do not, start with any adults who live in the household. List the full legal names of the persons applying for or already receiving Medicaid, Family Health Plus or Child Health Plus and list the ID Number from their Benefit Card or health plan ID card. You must provide information for household members including: parents, step-parents, and spouses. You may provide information for other household members (for example, a dependent child under the age of 21). Listing other household members may allow us to give you a higher eligibility level. Pregnant women and children under 19 may be eligible for health insurance regardless of immigration status.

Legal First, Middle, Last Name	Date of Birth	Is this person applying for health insurance?	Is this person pregnant?	Is this person the parent of an applying child?	What is the relationship to the person in Box 1?	If this person has or had public health coverage in the past, check the box that applies.	Social Security Number (if you have one)	Please mark one box that indicates your current Citizenship or Immigration Status. Not needed for pregnant women	*Race/Ethnic Group
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*Race/Ethnic Group Codes (optional): A-Asian, B-Black or African-American, I - Native American or Alaskan Native, P - Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, W-White, U-Unknown. Please also tell us if you are Hispanic or Latino-H

Section B Household Information (Continued from previous page)

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Is anyone in your household a veteran? Yes No If yes, name: _____

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Section C Household Income

SEND PROOF

Write the types of money and the amount received by everyone listed in Section B and

Earnings from Work: Includes wages, salaries, commissions, tips, overtime, self-employment. If you are self-employed check here: Check here if no earnings from work:

Name of Person	Type of Income/Employer Name	How Much? (before taxes)	How Often? (weekly, monthly)

Unearned Income: Includes Social Security Benefits, disability payments, unemployment payments, interest and dividends, veterans' benefits, Workers' Compensation, child support payments/alimony, rental income, pension, annuities and trust income. Check here if no unearned income:

Name of Person	Type of Income/Source	How Much? (before taxes)	How Often? (weekly, monthly)

Contributions: Money from relatives or friends, roomers or boarders (include money that anyone gives you each month to help meet living expenses). Check here if no contributions:

Name of Person	Type of Income/Source	How Much? (before taxes)	How Often? (weekly, monthly)

Other: Temporary (cash) Assistance, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments, student grants, or loans. Check here if none:

Name of Person	Type of Income/Source	How Much? (before taxes)	How Often? (weekly, monthly)

1. Do you or any applying adult in Section B have no income? No Yes Who? _____

2. If there is no income listed above, please explain how you are living:

(For example: *living with friend or relative*)

3. Have you or anyone who is applying changed jobs or stopped working in the last 3 months? No Yes

If yes: Your last job was: Date ____/____/____ Name of Employer: _____

4. Are you or anyone who is applying a student in a vocational, undergraduate, or graduate program? No Yes

If yes: Full Time Part Time Undergraduate Graduate Student's Name: _____

5. Do you have to pay for childcare (or for care of a disabled adult) in order to work or go to school? No Yes

Child's/adult's name:	How much? \$	How Often? (weekly, every two weeks, monthly)

6. If you are not eligible for Medicaid or Family Health Plus coverage, you may still be eligible for the Family Planning Benefit Program. Are you interested in receiving coverage for Family Planning Services only? No Yes

Section D Health Insurance

You and your family may still be eligible even if you have other health insurance.

1. Does anyone who is applying have Medicare? No Yes **If yes, include a copy of your card (red, white and blue card), for each Medicare beneficiary. SEND PROOF**
Complete the rest of this application and complete Supplement A.

2. Does anyone who is applying already have other commercial health insurance, including long term care insurance? No Yes **If yes, you must send a copy of the front and back of the insurance card with this application. SEND PROOF**

Name of Insured (primary) _____ Persons Covered _____ Cost of Policy _____ End date of coverage, if ending soon _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year

Note: If you are applying for the Medicare Savings Program only (MSP), go to Section G. You do NOT need to complete Supplement A.

3. Is the parent/step-parent of any child applying a public employee who can get family coverage through a state health benefits plan? (see instructions) No Yes
If yes, does the public agency where that person works pay all or part of the cost of the health plan? No Yes

4. In the past 6 months, has anyone lost or cancelled any type of health insurance that was provided through an employer? No Yes (If no, skip to question 5) If yes, what date did you lose coverage? _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year

Your answer to this question will help us understand why people change their health insurance.

Why do the person(s) no longer have the health insurance? (Check only one)

1. The person who had the insurance no longer works for the employer that provided the insurance.
 2. The employer stopped offering health insurance.
 3. The employer stopped offering health insurance for the child(ren)
or stopped paying for health insurance for the child(ren) but continued to cover the working parent.
 4. The cost of health insurance went up and it was no longer affordable.
 5. Child Health Plus or Family Health Plus costs less than the insurance the person(s) used to have.
 6. Child Health Plus or Family Health Plus offers better benefits than the insurance the person(s) used to have.

5. Does your current job offer health insurance? No Yes If yes, a "Request for Information Employer-Sponsored Health Insurance" form will be sent to you.

Section E Housing Expenses

1. Monthly housing payment such as rent or mortgage, including property taxes (just your share), \$ _____
2. If you pay for water separately how much do you pay? \$ _____ **SEND PROOF** How often do you pay? every month 2 times a year quarterly (4 times a year) once a year
3. Do you receive free housing as part of your pay? No Yes

Section F Blind, Disabled, Chronically Ill or Nursing Home Care

These questions help us determine which program is best for the applicants.

If no one applying is Blind, Disabled, Chronically Ill or in a Nursing Home STOP please go to Section G.

1. Are you, or anyone who lives with you, and is applying, in a residential treatment facility or receiving nursing home care in a hospital, nursing home or other medical institution? No Yes
If yes, finish completing this application AND complete Supplement A.
2. Are you or anyone who lives with you blind, disabled or chronically ill? No Yes If yes, finish completing this application AND complete Supplement A.
Note: If you are applying for the Medicare Savings Program only (MSP), go to Section G. You do not need to complete Supplement A.

Section G Additional Health Questions

1. Does anyone applying have paid or unpaid medical or prescription bills for this month or the three months before this month? Medicaid may be able to pay these bills or reimburse you.
 No Yes If yes: Name: _____ In which month(s) of the previous three months do you have medical bills? _____

SEND PROOF of income for any month in the three-month period for which you have bills. If you have paid medical bills for which you are seeking reimbursement, you must send copies and proof of payment.

2. Do you, or anyone applying, have any unpaid medical or prescription bills older than the previous three months? No Yes

3. Have you, or anyone who lives with you and is applying, moved into this county from another state or New York State county within the past three months? No Yes
 If yes, who? _____ Which state? _____ Which county? _____

4. Does anyone who is applying have a pending lawsuit due to an injury? No Yes If yes, who: _____

5. Does anyone applying have a Workers' Compensation case or an injury, illness, or disability that was caused by someone else (that could be covered by insurance)? No Yes
 If yes, who? _____

Section H

Parent or Spouse Not Living in the Household or Deceased

Families who are applying for their children and pregnant women are **NOT** required to fill out this section. All other people who are applying and are age 21 or over must be willing to provide information about a parent of an applying minor or a spouse living outside the home to be eligible for health insurance, unless there is good cause. Children may still be eligible even if a parent is not willing to provide this information. If you fear physical or emotional harm as a result of providing information about a parent or spouse not living in the home, you may be excused from providing this information. This is called **Good Cause**. You may be asked to show that you have a good reason for your fears.

1. Is the spouse or parent of anyone applying deceased? No Yes
 If yes, name of applicant with deceased parent or spouse: _____ (If spouse or parent is deceased go to question 3.)

2. Does a parent of any applying child live outside the home? (If no, skip to question 3) No Yes

If you fear physical or emotional harm if you provide information about a parent who does not live in the home, check this box

Child's Name:	Name of parent living outside the home _____ Date of Birth (if known): ____/____/____	Current or last known address: Street: _____ City/State: _____ SSN (if known): _____
Child's Name:	Name of parent living outside the home _____ Date of Birth (if known): ____/____/____	Current or last known address: Street: _____ City/State: _____ SSN (if known): _____

3. Is anyone applying still married to someone who lives outside the home? No Yes If yes, name of person applying who is still married: _____

If you fear physical or emotional harm if you provide information about a spouse who does not live in the home, check this box

Legal name of spouse living outside of the home:	Date of Birth (if known): _____ Street: _____ City/State: _____ SSN (if known): _____
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Section I Health Plan Selection

If you are in receipt of Medicare, **STOP** skip this section.

IMPORTANT: People with Family Health Plus and Child Health Plus **must** choose a health plan to get their health services. Most people with Medicaid **must** choose a health plan; if you don't choose a health plan you may be automatically enrolled in one unless it is determined you are exempt. **For Medicaid and Family Health Plus:** If you need information about what plans are available in your county, what plans your doctor is in and if you have to join, please call **New York Medicaid CHOICE** at 1-800-505-5678. You can also call or visit your local Department of Social Services. For information about Child Health Plus plans, call 1-800-698-4543. If you already know what plan you want, use this section for your plan choice.

NOTE: If you or family members are found eligible for Medicaid, you will be enrolled in the health plan you choose if it provides Medicaid. If you live in a county that does not require people on Medicaid to join a health plan, you can tell us you do not want to be in a health plan by calling or writing to your local Department of Social Services or by checking this box

Legal Last Name	Legal First Name	Date of Birth	Social Security #	Name of Health Plan You are Enrolling in	Preferred Doctor or Health Center (optional) Check Box if Your Current Provider	OB/GYN (optional)
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Section J Signature

I agree to have the information on this application and on the annual renewal shared only among Medicaid, Family Health Plus, Child Health Plus, the health plans indicated in Section I, the local social services district, and the facilitated enrollment organization providing the application assistance. I also consent to sharing this information with any school-based health center that provides services to the applicant(s). I understand this information is being shared for the purpose of determining the eligibility of those individuals applying for Medicaid, Family Health Plus, Child Health Plus, or to evaluate the success of these programs. Each applying adult must sign this application in the space below. By signing this application, I understand that each person applying for Medicaid, Family Health Plus, Child Health Plus, will be enrolled in the appropriate program, if eligible. **I have also read and understand the Terms, Rights and Responsibilities included in this application booklet on the next page.** I certify under penalty of perjury that everything on this application is the truth as best I know.

Date

Signature of adult applicant or authorized representative for the applicant

Date

Signature of adult applicant or authorized representative for the applicant

TERMS, RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

By completing and signing this application, I am applying for Medicaid, Family Health Plus, and Child Health Plus. I understand that this application, notices and other supporting information will be sent to the program(s) for which I want to apply. I agree to the release of personal and financial information from this application and any other information needed to determine eligibility for these programs. I understand that I may be asked for more information. I agree to immediately report any changes to the information on this application.

- I understand that I must provide the information needed to prove my eligibility for each program. If I have been unable to get the information for Medicaid or Family Health Plus, I will tell the social services district. The social services district may be able to help in getting the information.

- If I am applying at a place other than a local department of social services, and my children are not found eligible for Medicaid using this application, I can contact the local department of social services to see if my children are eligible for Medicaid on some other basis.

- I understand that workers from the programs for which family members or I have applied may check the information given by me for this application. The agencies that run these programs will keep this information confidential according to 42 U.S.C. 1396a (a) (7) and 42 CFR 431.300-431.307, and any federal and state laws and regulations.

- By applying for Child Health Plus, I agree to pay the applicable premium contribution not paid by New York State.

- I understand that Medicaid, Family Health Plus, and Child Health Plus will not pay medical expenses that insurance or another person is supposed to pay, and that if I am applying for Medicaid or Family Health Plus,

I am giving to the agency all of my rights to pursue and receive medical support from a spouse or parents of persons under 21 years old and my right to pursue and receive third party payments for the entire time I am in receipt of benefits.

- I will file any claims for health or accident insurance benefits or any other resources to which I am entitled. I understand that I have the right to claim good cause not to cooperate in using health insurance if its use could cause harm to my health or safety or to the health and safety of someone I am legally responsible for.

- I understand that my eligibility for these programs will not be affected by my race, color, or national origin. I also understand that depending on the requirements of these individual programs, my age, sex, disability or citizenship status may be a factor in whether or not I am eligible.

- I understand that if my child is on Medicaid or Family Health Plus, he or she can get comprehensive primary and preventive care, including all necessary treatment through the Child/Teen Health Program. I can get more information on this program from the local department of social services.

- I understand that anyone who knowingly lies or hides the truth in order to receive services under these programs is committing a crime and subject to federal and state penalties and may have to repay the amount of benefits received and pay civil penalties. The New York State Department of Tax and Finance has the right to review income information on this form.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

Child Health Plus: SSNs are not required to enroll in Child Health Plus. If available, I will include it for children applying for Child Health Plus.

Medicaid, or Family Health Plus: SSNs are required for all applicants, unless the person is pregnant or a non-qualified alien. SSNs are not required for members of my household who are not applying for benefits. I understand that this is required by Federal Law at 42 U.S.C. 1320b-7 (a) and by Medicaid regulations at 42 CFR 435.910. SSNs are used in many ways, both within department of social services (DSS) and between the DSS and federal, state, and local agencies, both in New York and other jurisdictions. Some uses of SSNs are: to check identity, to identify and verify earned and unearned income, to see if non-custodial parents can get health insurance coverage for applicants, to see if applicants can get medical support, and to see if applicants can get money or other help. SSNs may also be used for identification of the recipient within and between central governmental Medicaid agencies to insure proper services are made available to the recipient. Also, if I apply for other programs in this joint application, those programs will have access to my SSN and could use it in the administration of the program.

FOR MEDICAID APPLICANTS ONLY

• Release of Educational Records

I give permission to the local department of social services and New York State to obtain any information regarding the educational records of my child(ren), herein named, necessary for claiming Medicaid reimbursements for health-related educational services, and to provide the appropriate federal government agency access to this information for the sole purpose of audit.

• Early Intervention Program

If my child is evaluated for or participates in the New York State Early Intervention Program, I give permission to the local department of social services and New York State to share my child's Medicaid eligibility information with my county Early Intervention Program for the purpose of billing Medicaid.

• Reimbursement of Medical Expenses

I understand that I have a right as part of my Medicaid application, or later, to request reimbursement of expenses I paid for covered medical care, services and supplies received during the three month period prior to the month of my application. After the date of my application, reimbursement of covered medical care, services and supplies will only be available if obtained from Medicaid enrolled providers.

FAMILY HEALTH PLUS AND MEDICAID MANAGED CARE

I understand that in order to receive Family Health Plus benefits, I must join a managed care health plan. I also know that in some counties, joining a health plan may be required to receive Medicaid. I have read how to find out whether my county requires Medicaid enrollees to join a health plan, and how to find out what health plans are available to me in Family Health Plus and in Medicaid managed care. I understand that if I am found eligible for Family Health Plus, I will be enrolled in the Family Health Plus plan I have chosen. I/we also understand that if I/we are found eligible for Medicaid instead of Family Health Plus and I/we are in a county that requires Medicaid enrollees to be in a managed care health plan, I/we will be enrolled in the health plan I/we chose unless that health plan does not participate in Medicaid managed care. If I/we are in a county that does not require enrollees to be in a Medicaid managed care health plan, I/we will still be enrolled in the health plan I/we chose unless I/we notify my local social services department in writing, or I/we check the box in Section I, that I/we do not want to be in that plan.

I have read how to find out the rights and benefits that I will have as a member of a managed care health plan and the benefit limitations of managed care membership.

I understand that in both Family Health Plus and Medicaid managed care, I must choose a Primary Care Provider (PCP) and that I will have a choice from at least three PCPs in my health plan. I understand that once I enroll in a health plan, I will have to use my PCP and other providers in my health plan except in a few special circumstances.

I understand that if a child is born to me while I am a member of a Medicaid managed care health plan, my child will be enrolled in the same health plan that I am in. I understand that if a child is born to me while I am a member of a Family Health Plus plan that also participates in Medicaid managed care, my child will be enrolled in the same health plan that I am in.

• Release of Medical Information

I consent to the release of any medical information about me and any members of my family for whom I can give consent:

- By my PCP, any other health care provider or the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) to my health plan and any health care providers involved in caring for me or my family, as reasonably necessary for my health plan or my providers to carry out treatment, payment, or health care operations. This may include pharmacy and other medical claims information needed to help manage my care;
- By my health plan and any health care providers to NYSDOH and other authorized federal, state, and local agencies for purposes of administration of the Medicaid, Child Health Plus, and Family Health Plus programs; and

- By my health plan to other persons or organizations, as reasonably necessary for my health plan to carry out treatment, payment, or health care operations. I also agree that the information released for treatment, payment and health care operations may include HIV, mental health or alcohol and substance abuse information about me and members of my family to the extent permitted by law, until I revoke this consent.

If more than one adult in the family is joining a Family Health Plus or Medicaid health plan, the signature of each adult applying is necessary for consent to release information.

• Reimbursement of Medical Expenses

I understand that if I am determined eligible for Family Health Plus my enrollment will be effective no later than 90 days from the date of submission of a completed application. In the event of an error or delay in my enrollment, Medicaid may be able to reimburse me for reasonable medical expenses I pay as a result of the error or delay. Medicaid may pay my provider for any unpaid expenses only if that provider is a Medicaid enrolled provider.

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To be completed by the person assisting with the application

Signature of Person Who
Obtained Eligibility Information:

Employed By: (check one)

Community-Based Facilitated Enrollment Agency Health Plan Social Services District Provider Agency Qualified Entities

X _____ Employer Name: _____

To be completed by Facilitated Enrollers

Facilitated Enroller:

Lead Agency/Plan Name:

Lead Org/Plan ID:

Language Used for Application Assistance:

Application Start Date:

Application
Sequence Number:

Application Completion
Date:

Enter Code of Applying Child:

Medicaid _____ CHPlus _____

To be used by the local Social Services District

Eligibility Determined By:

Date:

Eligibility Approved By:

Date:

Center Office:

Application Date:

Unit ID:

Worker ID:

Case Name:

District:

Case Type:

Case #:

Effective Date:

MA Disposition Reason Code:

Proxy:

Registry #:

Ver:

Denial Code Withdrawal

Yes No

To be used by Child Health Plus Plans

CHPlus Disposition:

Denial Code:

Effective Date:

Children Enrolled (CHPlus):

Approved Denied

PUBLIC CHARGE INFORMATION

The United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has stated that enrollment in Medicaid, Family Health Plus, Child Health Plus or the Family Planning Benefit Program CANNOT affect a person's ability to get a green card, become a citizen, sponsor a family member, or travel in and out of the country. This is not true if Medicaid pays for long-term care in a place such as a nursing home or psychiatric hospital.

The State will not report any information on this application to the USCIS.

- **Race/Ethnic Group.** This information is optional and it will help us make sure that all people have access to the programs. If you fill out this information, use the code shown on the application that best describes each person's race or ethnic background. You may pick more than one.

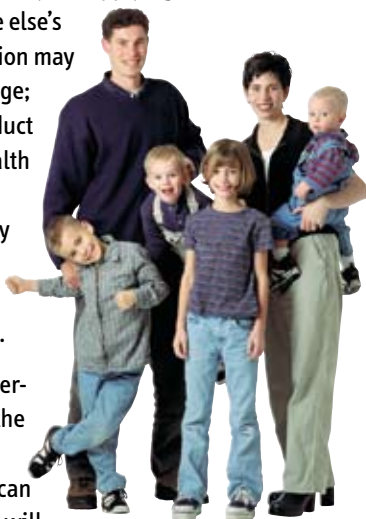
SECTION C Household Income (Money Received)

- In this section, list all types of income (money received) and the amounts received by the people you listed in Section B.
- Please tell us how much you make before taxes are taken out.
- If there is no money coming into your home, explain how you are paying for your living expenses, such as food and housing.
- We need to know if you have changed jobs or if you are a student.
- We also need to know if you pay another person or place, such as a day care center, to take care of your children or disabled spouse or parent while you are working or going to school. If you do, we need to know how much you pay. We may be able to deduct some of the amount that you pay for these costs from the amount we count as your income.

SECTION D Health Insurance

It is important to tell us whether anyone applying is covered or could be covered by someone else's health insurance. This information may affect their eligibility for coverage; for some applicants, we can deduct the amount that you pay for health insurance from the amount we count as your income; or we may be able to pay the cost of your health insurance premium if we determine it is cost effective.

Some children who had employer-based health insurance within the past six months may be subject to a waiting period before they can enroll in Child Health Plus. This will



depend on your household income and the reason your children lost employer-based coverage.

NOTE: State Health Benefits Plans provide health insurance coverage through the New York State Health Insurance Program (NYSHIP). Coverage is offered to employees/retirees of NYS government, the State Legislature and the Unified Court System. Some local government agencies and school districts also elect to participate in NYSHIP. If you are not sure, check with your employer. If your child has access to State Health Insurance Benefits through NYSHIP, he/she will be ineligible for Child Health Plus coverage.

We may be able to help pay for health insurance premiums if you have or can get insurance through your job. We will need to gather more information about the insurance and will mail an insurance questionnaire to you.



SECTION E Housing Expenses

Write in your monthly cost of housing. This includes your rent, monthly mortgage payment or other housing payment. If you have a mortgage payment, include property taxes in the amount you tell us. If you share your housing expenses or your rent is subsidized, please only tell us how much YOU pay toward your rent or mortgage. If you pay for your water, tell us how much you pay and how often.

SECTION F Blind, Disabled, Chronically Ill or Nursing Home Care

These questions help us determine which program is best for each applicant, and what services may be needed. A person with a disability, serious illness or high medical bills may be able to get more health services. You may have a disability if your daily activities are limited because of an illness or condition that has lasted or is expected to last for at least 12 months. If you are blind, disabled, chronically ill or need nursing home care, you will need to complete Supplement A. If neither you nor anyone applying is blind, disabled, chronically ill or in a nursing home, go to Section G.

SECTION G Additional Health Questions

If you have paid or unpaid medical bills from the past three months, Medicaid may be able to pay for these costs. Let us know who these bills are for and in which months. Include copies of the medical bills with this application. Note: This three-month period begins when the local department of social services receives your application or when you meet with a Facilitated Enroller. You will need to tell us what your income was for any past months in which you have medical bills so that we can see if you are eligible during that time. We also ask about where you lived in the past three months, because this may affect our ability to pay for past bills. We ask about any pending lawsuits or health issues caused by someone else so we know if someone else should pay for any portion of your medical care costs.

MORE INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK ▶

SECTION H Parent or Spouse Not Living in the Household or Deceased

- If any applicants have an absent spouse or parent, you must complete this section so we can see if medical support is available to you or your child.
- Pregnant women do not have to answer these questions until 60 days after the birth of their child. All other people who are applying and are age 21 or over must be willing to provide information about a parent of an applying minor or a spouse living outside the home to be eligible for health insurance, unless there is good cause. An example of “good cause” is fear of physical or emotional harm to you or a family member. Question 2 refers to the **PARENT** of any applying child under age 21. Question 3 refers to the **SPOUSE** of anyone applying.
- If the parents are not willing to provide this information, the applying child may still be eligible for Medicaid or Child Health Plus.

SECTION I Health Plan Selection

What is a Health Plan? Applying for programs through Access NY Health Care may mean you get your health care coverage through a Managed Care plan. When you join a plan, you choose one doctor (Primary Care Provider or PCP) from that plan to take care of your regular needs. If you want to keep the doctor you have, you need to pick the plan that works with your doctor. Managed Care health plans focus on preventive care so small problems do not become big ones. If you need a specialist, your PCP will refer you to one.

Who Must Choose a Health Plan? People who are eligible for Family Health Plus and Child Health Plus **MUST** choose a health plan to get medical care. **MOST** people who are eligible for Medicaid **MUST** choose a health plan to get most of their Medicaid benefits. Keep reading to find out how to get more information on this.

How Do I Know What Health Plan to Choose and If I Can Enroll?

For Medicaid and Family Health Plus, if you want to find out more about how managed care plans work, if you have to join, and how to choose a plan, call **Medicaid CHOICE** at **1-800-505-5678**, or call or visit your local department of social services. Ask for a Managed Care Education Packet. Information about health plans is also on the NYSDOH website at www.nyhealth.gov. You can also enroll by phone, by calling **1-800-505-5678**.

NOTE: If you or a family member are found eligible for Medicaid, and are in a county that does not require people on Medicaid to join a health plan, you will still be enrolled in the health plan you choose if it provides Medicaid, unless you check the box on the application that says you don't want to be enrolled, or tell us you do not want to be enrolled by calling or writing to your local department of social services.

For Child Health Plus:

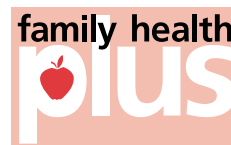
For information about Child Health Plus plans, call **1-800-698-4543**.

Child Health Plus Premium

There are no premiums for Medicaid, or Family Health Plus. There may be a monthly premium for Child Health Plus. Use the enclosed chart to determine if you need to pay a premium based on your monthly income. You must include the first month's premium with the completed application or your child will not be enrolled.

SECTION J Signature

Please read the paragraph in this section carefully and read the **Terms, Rights and Responsibilities** section. You must then sign and date the application.



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