

Health Care For All

Massachusetts Health Care
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Topics

1. Introducing Health Care For All
2. National Health Reform
3. Keeping Kids Enrolled
4. Payment Reform is coming
5. Consumer Assistance With Insurance
6. Get Involved!



1. Health Care For All

- Non-profit advocacy and health information organization. Goal is quality and affordable health care. We educate residents about health care system, and how to improve it.
- Helpline: 800-272-4232
- Health Law Advocates: 617-338-5241
- Web: www.hcfama.org

2. National Health Reform

Construction vs. Renovation?



Massachusetts Already Benefiting

- Small employer tax credit
- Medicare Part D coverage gap or “donut hole” – 50% discount on brand name prescription drugs
- No annual or lifetime limits on insurance benefits
- No copayments for preventive services.
- \$160 million in grants and demonstrations – including “Money Follows the Person”



“Early Innovator” Grant Project

- Building an integrated system for
 - Eligibility and enrollment – MassHealth, Commonwealth Care, private insurance
 - Customer service
 - Communications with members
- Goal: Real-time on-line eligibility check and enrollment

National Health Reform - 2014

- All individuals up to 400% fpl will be eligible for Medicaid or for federally-subsidized coverage
- Many opportunities under federal law:
 - MassHealth simplification
 - Integrating legal immigrants
 - Benefits and affordability
- Increased federal revenue, too

National Health Reform Resources

- www.Mass.gov/NationalHealthReform
- CommunityCatalyst.org
- HealthCare.gov

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Take health care into your own hands



CuidadoDeSalud.gov

3. Kids and Teens Enrollment

- **got coverage?** Health Coverage For Kids and Teens Statewide Enrollment Challenge
- 66 organizations throughout state accepted challenge
- Result: 1,479 *new* children have health insurance

Next Challenge: Keeping Kids Covered

- FREE bookmarks and magnets in English, Portuguese and Spanish
- Bookmark: tips to help families keep their coverage and contains a space to place a label with your organization's information.
- Magnet: a reminder for families to renew their insurance annually. You can write the approximate date of renewal for your clients as well as the name of your organization on the magnet.

Don't forget!

To keep your MassHealth insurance, you must ***RENEW*** it every year.

Look for your Eligibility Review Form in the mail around:

If you need help filling out your Eligibility Review Form, visit

Or, call the Health Care for All HelpLine at (800) 272-4232

How to Keep Your Health Insurance

- ✓ If you move or change your mailing address, call MassHealth.
 - ✓ If you change or lose your job, call MassHealth.
 - ✓ If the money your family gets changes, call MassHealth.
 - ✓ If you can't pay your premium, you can set up a payment plan. Call MassHealth.
- Call the MassHealth Enrollment Center at
- 888-665-9993**
- If MassHealth asks for any information, you must give it to them or your insurance can end.

Want Bookmarks or Magnets?

- Join the challenge to receive the free materials
- Call or email Dayanne Leal at 617-275-2932 or leal@hcfama.org

4. “Payment Reform” – Next Big Thing

- “Payment Reform” = changing how hospitals and doctors are paid.
- Goal: Save money and improve quality
- How: reward integrated care, promotion of health, prevention.
- Governor filed bill in February
- Hearings in June and July

MassHealth moving forward

- 115,000 Dual eligible adults under 65 – disabled adults with Medicare and MassHealth
- MassHealth examining integrating both plans into unified system
- Allows for more care coordination and better community services

5. Consumer Assistance Program

- Collaboration between EOHHS, HCFA and HLA
- HCFA's Helpline can answer questions, assist with questions on private insurance
- HLA will provide legal advice, assist with appeals and grievances
- Use HCFA Helpline: 800-272-4232

6. Get Involved!

- Follow us online:
 - Blog: blog.hcfama.org
 - Facebook: www.facebook.com/healthcareforall
 - Twitter: www.twitter.com/hcfa
- Talk at lunch

