

CCDC Medicaid Buy-In Application Semi-Flowchart

Ask the following questions:

1. Demographic information: age, date of birth, address, veteran, have a disability, etc.
2. Are they currently working for someone else as an employee (get a paycheck), they are doing “gig” work (UBER or babysitting), or for themselves (self-employment)?
3. What benefits are you on? Only consider the individual’s benefits, not the families. Medicaid Buy-In is a “single person family” program (like LTSS).
 - a. SSI—won’t qualify for Medicaid Buy-In
 - b. SSDI—could qualify for Medicaid Buy-In
 - c. Social Security Retirement—they have shifted from SSDI to SSR because of their age (typically between ages 65 and 67)—can qualify for Medicaid Buy-In
 - d. MAGI Medicaid without LTSS—can qualify for Medicaid Buy-In
 - e. Medicaid with LTSS/HCBS—can qualify for Medicaid Buy-In
 - f. No benefits

Determine what forms you need to send the Medicaid Buy-In: DON’T USE PEAK!

1. Advocates can send the Medicaid Buy-In application and information directly to Buy-In@dhha.org for individuals with the following benefits:
 - a. SSDI
 - b. Social Security Retirement
 - c. MAGI Medicaid without LTSS
 - d. Medicaid with LTSS/HCBS
 - g. No benefits
2. Advocates must send the Medicaid-Buy-In to the member’s County
 - a. MAGI Medicaid without LTSS but with SNAP or other state benefits
 - h. Medicaid with LTSS/HCBS but with SNAP or other state benefits

What information must be sent in with the buy-in application?

1. Those that need Medicaid Application, Proof of Employment, Monthly Unearned Income (SSDI, retirement monthly or annual payout, trust dividends) and Earned Income (from working).
 - a. SSDI but no Medicaid benefits yet
2. Those that need Medicaid Application, Disability Determination, Medical Records, Proof of Employment, Monthly Unearned Income (SSDI, retirement monthly or annual payout, trust dividends) and Earned Income (from working).
 - a. SSR but currently without Medicaid services
 - b. No benefits at all
3. Those that need Disability Determination, Medical Records, Proof of Employment, Monthly Unearned Income (SSDI, retirement monthly or annual payout, trust dividends) and Earned Income (from working).
 - a. Social Security Retirement with LTSS
 - b. MAGI Medicaid without LTSS

4. Those that need only Proof of Employment, Monthly Unearned Income (SSDI, retirement monthly or annual payout, trust dividends) and Earned Income (from working).
 - a. Those on SSDI with LTSS already
 - b. Those on LTSS/HCBS already (meaning they have already proved they have a disability)

Additional Notes:

- Medicaid Application (fill-in): on page 2, mark “yes” for questions 8, 10, 11, 14
 - The person can do an “electronic signature (type it in themselves)
 - The person can do a “telephonic signature”—just indicate in email with application that the individual needs CMAP to contact them to do a “phone signature.”
- Disability Application (fill-in): ensure there is a “wet signature” on pages 10 and 15.
- Proof of employment:
 - Letter from employer or picture of UBER or other gig programs
 - Pay stub from employer
 - Costs, income, and net income spreadsheet for self-employed people
- Send the Medicaid Estate Recovery brochure to anyone over 55 on LTSS
- If CMAP or County sends a letter demanding asset information (checking accounts) for someone after 65, you can quote the information on the “More Information” request notice back to them (also included in the example, redacted improper request for information letter).

If you are applying only for the Health First Colorado Medicaid Buy-In Program for Working Adults with Disabilities: If you are under age 65 with a disability, are currently working, and you want to apply only for this program, you don't have to send documents about the value of your property or accounts even if it was requested in the section above. Send all other requested information.

- If the person is over 65, they may ask for all the asset information to see if they qualify for the Medicaid Service Program, but if you are over income such that you have to be on Medicaid Buy-In, you won't qualify for MSP anyway. Thus, it is irrelevant information.

If you are a Health First Colorado Buy-In member and you received a request for information about your resources, it's because you may also qualify for the Medicare Savings Program, which verifies resources every year.