

UPDATE: Kentucky HEALTH Implementation Timeline as of 1/31/2019

The phased-in approach for the implementation of Kentucky HEALTH has been extended to allow additional time for beneficiaries to prepare for any changes to accessing healthcare benefits. The extension is part of the program's efforts to provide additional support for beneficiaries who will need to meet new requirements.

Kentucky HEALTH program timeline updates:

- **On April 1, 2019 Kentucky HEALTH will begin a phased rollout and beneficiaries will either be part of the Alternative Benefit Plan or the Medicaid State Plan.**
 - Income-Eligible Adults will be on the Alternative Benefit Plan. Beneficiaries on the Alternative Benefit Plan will use their My Rewards Account to access non-medical vision and dental services starting on April 1, 2019.
 - More than 480,000 Kentucky HEALTH beneficiaries have accrued over \$70 million My Rewards dollars in their account as of January 31, 2019.
 - Kentucky HEALTH beneficiaries have been able to earn My Rewards dollars since January 2018. Since April 2018, beneficiaries have had the ability to log in to CitizenConnect.ky.gov to see their My Rewards Account balance and manage their account.
 - For a list of activities that qualify for My Rewards, as well as a list of non-medical dental and vision services that My Rewards dollars can apply towards, please visit the [Parts → My Rewards Account page](#) of the Kentucky HEALTH website.
 - Those in the Medicaid State Plan include: Children, Pregnant Women, Former Foster Youth Up to Age 26, Medically Frail, Survivors of Domestic Violence, beneficiaries who receive Transitional Medical Assistance (TMA), and Income-Eligible Parents/Guardians.
 - These eligibility groups will have non-medical dental and vision services covered through their Managed Care Organization (MCO).
 - In addition, these eligibility groups will have Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) covered by Medicaid.
- **While Kentucky HEALTH benefits changes will begin on April 1, 2019, all Kentucky HEALTH beneficiaries will have their April premium payments waived.**
 - Income-Eligible Adults, Income-Eligible Parents/Guardians, and beneficiaries who receive Transitional Medical Assistance (TMA) will transition to the premium payment plan as a part of Kentucky HEALTH. However, these beneficiaries will not pay premiums for services in April.
 - Kentucky HEALTH beneficiaries who are cost-share optional (meaning they can choose to pay a premium to have access to their My Rewards Account) will also have their premium payments waived for April.
 - The month of April 2019 will still count for one of the 12 months of enrollment in Kentucky HEALTH.

- **While Kentucky HEALTH will begin on April 1, 2019, PATH Community Engagement requirements will not begin before July 1, 2019.**
 - The PATH Community Engagement requirement will begin across Kentucky in phases.
 - The timeline for the phased rollout of PATH Community Engagement is being finalized, but the requirement will begin no sooner than July 1, 2019.
 - Although the Kentucky HEALTH PATH Community Engagement requirement will begin no sooner than July 1, 2019, Kentucky HEALTH beneficiaries can still access resources like job skill trainings, educational courses, and volunteer opportunities in their communities. Beneficiaries can find opportunities in their area at CitizenConnect.ky.gov or through a local Kentucky Career Center (more information available at KCC.ky.gov).
 - More information about what PATH Community Engagement means and who has the requirement is available at KentuckyHEALTH.ky.gov.
 - Delaying the start of the PATH Community Engagement requirements gives the Commonwealth time to:
 - Increase access to job training, education and career services for all Kentuckians.
 - Create a more efficient and consistent customer experience in communities across the Commonwealth.
 - Provide consistent high-quality services to diverse communities across the Commonwealth.

The table below shows a detailed overview of updates to the different parts of Kentucky HEALTH as of January 31, 2019.

Kentucky HEALTH Program Updates for April, 2019 Program Start:

Program Component	Updates
Benefit Plan Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When Kentucky HEALTH begins on April 2019, beneficiaries will move to either the Alternative Benefit Plan (ABP) or the State Benefit Plan. • Income-Eligible Adults (Non-Medically Frail) will move to the ABP premium plan on April 1, 2019 and will have an active My Rewards Account. All other Kentucky HEALTH beneficiaries will be on the State Benefit Plan.
Premium Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Kentucky HEALTH beneficiaries will have to pay premiums for April coverage. Income-Eligible Adults and Income-Eligible Parents/Guardians will be required to pay premiums beginning in May 2019. • MCOs will not send invoices for premiums for the month of April.
Copays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kentucky HEALTH beneficiaries who are part of the Alternative Benefit Plan will not have to pay copays for services in April. • Non-Kentucky HEALTH Medicaid beneficiaries will continue to pay copays according to existing Medicaid rules.
Conditional Eligibility & Fast Track	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conditional Eligibility and the Fast Track option for payment will be available starting May 1, 2019.
Medically Frail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCOs begin sending Medically Frail Approval letters in February 2019 to individuals who were approved as Medically Frail through a Provider Attestation. • MCOs begin sending Medically Frail Approval letters in March 2019 to those who were approved as Medically Frail through claims data.
PATH Community Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • While Kentucky HEALTH will begin on April 1, 2019, PATH Community Engagement requirements will begin no sooner than July 1, 2019.
Penalties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Voluntary Withdrawal Penalty will be active starting May 1, 2019. • The Report A Change Penalty will be active starting May 1, 2019.