

Kentucky HEALTH Legal Update for Providers

This package of materials includes important information for providers, partners, and beneficiaries about the Kentucky HEALTH legal decision on June 29, 2018.

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Reinstatement of Non-medical Dental & Vision services and Non-Emergency Medical Transportation



What caused changes to covered services?

- Based on a June 29, 2018 legal decision, **changes to Medicaid under Kentucky HEALTH did not begin on July 1, 2018** as planned.
- Due to the legal decision, beneficiaries in the Alternative Benefit Plan **are not able to use the My Rewards program to pay for non-medical dental and vision services.**
- The Kentucky HEALTH team is working with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on the details of the reconsideration process.

In order to mitigate the consequences of the judge's ruling and avoid a prolonged coverage gap, the Commonwealth has **reinstated vision and dental coverage**, as well as **non-emergency transportation services**, for people whose benefits were affected by the June 29, 2018 legal decision.

When is coverage for those services reinstated?

- **All Medicaid beneficiaries in Kentucky will continue to have access to non-medical dental and vision services, as well as non-emergency medical transportation.** The Cabinet is working to ensure Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) and providers know coverage is in place.
- Coverage for these **services includes any services a beneficiary received during July 2018.** The tracking system was updated as of August 1 to allow MCOs to cover dental, vision, or non-emergency transportation services received by any eligible Medicaid beneficiary in the month of July.
- Restored benefits have been implemented in the system as of August 1, 2018.

For questions about benefits or reimbursable claims for July 2018, beneficiaries should contact their Managed Care Organization (MCO).



For more resources for providers, please visit the [Health Provider page](#) on the Kentucky HEALTH project website

Information about Premiums for Kentucky HEALTH



Based on the June 29, 2018 legal decision, changes to Medicaid under Kentucky HEALTH did not begin on July 1, 2018. **Due to this, Kentucky HEALTH premium payments have been put on hold and any invoices should be ignored. Premiums that were already paid can be used to pay future payments, or refunds can be requested.**

What will my premiums be under Kentucky HEALTH?

Kentucky HEALTH beneficiaries who pay their monthly household premiums will not have had any copayments or other out-of-pocket costs. The table below shows the payment amount, which are on a sliding scale based on household income. Premiums range from \$1.00 to \$15.00 per month.

Under 25% of Federal Poverty Level (FPL)	25-50% Federal Poverty Level (FPL)	51-100% Federal Poverty Level (FPL)	101-138% Federal Poverty Level (FPL)
\$1.00 per month	\$4.00 per month	\$8.00 per month	\$15.00 per month

What if I have already paid a premium?

If you already paid a premium, you can either have it count toward a future payment, or you can ask for a refund. You should contact your MCO to discuss your options. Your MCO will provide any refunds within 30 days of the request.



1-855-300-5528



1-855-690-7784



1-855-852-7005



1-800-578-0603



1-877-389-9457

How to view your Kentucky Medicaid benefits on benefind

Individuals may use **benefind** to view a summary of benefits, details on Managed Care Organization (MCO) Enrollment, and view the **Benefit Type** on the Notice of Eligibility.

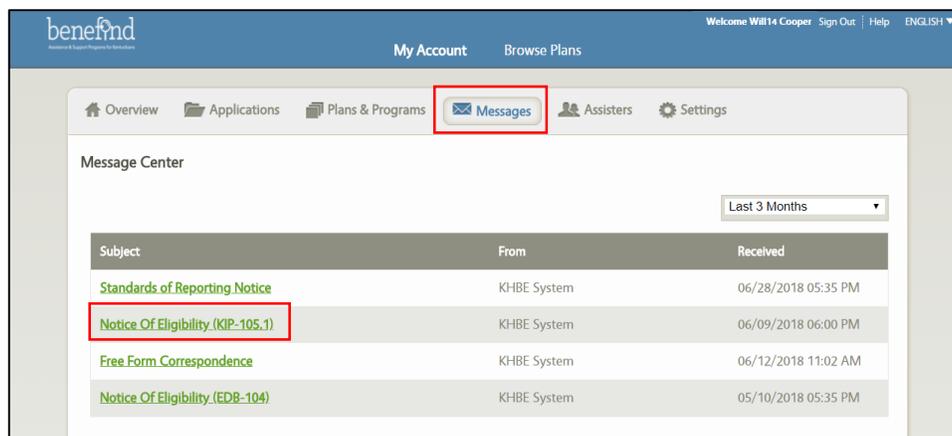
1. Navigate to MyKentucky.gov.
2. If the individual has a Kentucky Online Gateway (KOG) account created, click **Login** on the MyKentucky.gov landing page. The **Kentucky Online Gateway** page displays.

Note: If the individual does not have KOG account created, click **Sign Up** and complete the KOG registration process.

3. Enter the **username** and **password**.
4. Click **Log In**.
5. From the **My Apps** tab, click **Launch** on the benefind App. The **Overview** tab on the benefind dashboard displays.
6. From the top navigation bar, click **Messages**.

The **Messages** tab contains important correspondences, such as the Notice of Eligibility (KIP-105.1). Individuals may view their Medicaid Plan Type in the Notice of Eligibility.

7. Click the **Notice of Eligibility**



8. On the **Notice of Eligibility**, locate the **Benefit Type**.

NEW SECTION: Kentucky HEALTH Summary		
Name	Benefit Type	Plan Type Effective Date

How does the legal decision affect Medically Frail individuals?



Due to the June 29, 2018 legal decision, changes to Medicaid under Kentucky HEALTH did not begin on July 1, 2018 as planned. Even though Kentucky HEALTH has been delayed, **the process to determine medically frail status still exists. Medicaid recipients who are determined medically frail will not have any changes to their medical benefits.**

Who is considered medically frail?

Medicaid recipients who meet at least one of the following conditions:

- Significant difficulty performing activities of daily living, like eating and getting dressed
- Chronic homelessness
- Serious and complex medical condition
- Disabling mental health diagnosis
- Chronic substance use disorder
- A diagnosis with HIV/AIDS
- Eligibility for Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)

What should I do if I think I may be medically frail?

1. You may **call the Department for Community Based Services (DCBS) at 1-855-306-8959** to report if you need help with activities of daily living (like bathing or getting dressed) or if you are homeless (living in a homeless shelter, safe haven, or a place not meant for humans to live.) You may **call your Managed Care Organization (MCO)** if you believe you are medically frail for any of the other reasons listed in the “Who is considered medically frail?” section.
2. **Contact your MCO to go over the types of health services you have had in the past.** This will help your MCO determine if you qualify as medically frail.
3. **Work with your MCO to schedule an appointment with your doctor or health care professional.** The doctor can go through some health questions with you that will help your MCO decide if you qualify as medically frail.

How to complete the Medically Frail Attestation process

[Click here](#) to open the Medically Frail Provider Attestation form, which providers and Kentucky HEALTH recipients should fill out together.

Looking for more information?

- For resources related to Kentucky HEALTH and updates based on the legal ruling, visit KentuckyHEALTH.ky.gov
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