

Maine Medicaid Expansion (4 8 19)

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Medicaid Expansion - Maine

This presentation provides an overview of:

- How the Marketplace is implementing Maine's Medicaid expansion.
- How the Marketplace is notifying consumers of their potential eligibility.
- How issuers can help consumers.

ME Medicaid Expansion (continued)

- Maine has expanded its Medicaid program (adult group) to all individuals with income up to and including 138% FPL who are otherwise eligible and has begun enrolling consumers at the state.
- Maine's expansion goes live at the FFE on April 1, at which time the FFE will begin assessing consumers with financial assistance applications eligible for Medicaid, as applicable, given the new expansion threshold.
- *Starting April 1, consumers should update and resubmit their Marketplace application to have their Medicaid eligibility reconsidered given Medicaid expansion, even if nothing in their household (e.g. size, income) has changed.* In the absence of consumer action, the FFE will not reconsider their Medicaid eligibility.
 - Consumers who submit a new/updated Marketplace application will receive an FFE EDN. For consumers who are assessed Medicaid-eligible or referred to Maine with a pend or inconsistency, the FFE will securely transfer their application information to the state Medicaid agency for next steps.

FFE Outreach to Current Maine Enrollees

After April 1, the FFE will send print notices to current Marketplace enrollees in Maine who may be newly eligible for Medicaid under expansion.

Targeting current FFE enrollees with income from 100 to 150% FPL who are not Medicaid-ineligible due to immigration status

This notice encourages consumers to return to their 2019 Marketplace applications, and update and re-submit them, in order to find out if they may be newly eligible for Medicaid.

Effective Dates

- Coverage effective dates for Medicaid in Maine default back to the first of the month during which a consumer applied (e.g., if consumer applies on April 19 and is determined eligible, coverage will be retroactive back to April 1).

How Can Issuers Help?

- Issuers can help Maine consumers by being familiar with the Marketplace notice sent to potentially Medicaid-eligible consumers in Maine, as well as the possible next steps provided in the link in the notice.