Med-QUEST Division – Medicaid

Medicaid is a federal and state partnership that provides health coverage to low-income children and adults, and also includes other vulnerable populations such as pregnant women, former foster care children and aged, blind and disabled individuals.

Hawaii adopted Medicaid expansion through the Affordable Care Act (ACA) extending eligibility for adults with an income FPL of 133% (expanding to 138% with an automatic disregard of 5%)
Health Coverage

• Medicaid
  ▪ No Cost Health Coverage

• Healthcare.gov
  • Financial Assistance
    ▪ Advance Premium Tax Credits (APTC)
  • Lower Out-of-Pocket Costs
    ▪ Cost Share Reductions (CSR)

• Premium Assistance Program (PAP)
Med-QUEST Division – Medicaid

Who may qualify?

• **U.S. Citizens**
• **Lawfully Present Citizens (who have been in the U.S. for 5 years or more)**
• **Lawfully Present Citizens (who have been in the U.S. for less than five years)**
• **Lawfully Present: Children under 19 years old, aged, blind or disabled, pregnant women**
• **COFA Citizens: Children under 19 years old, aged, blind or disabled, pregnant women**

Only income and tax household size is considered for adults between the ages of 19 through 64 years of age.

Income and assets are considered for those in the aged, blind or disabled categories
How to apply for health Insurance – U.S. Citizens

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Since qualifying for Med-QUEST is based on income, below is a general Income limit guide:
U.S. citizens between the ages of 19 to 64 years old who are not blind/disabled will qualify if they make less than 138% of the FPL:
Household of 1: $1,689
Household of 2: $2,281
Household of 3: $2,873
Household of 4: $3,465

If you are unsure if your income qualifies or your income is close to qualifying, we highly recommend that you apply. It is free to apply!
Med-QUEST Application Tips – U.S. Citizens

What happens if I don’t qualify for Med-QUEST because my income is too high?

• You can apply to www.healthcare.gov (aka Obamacare, FFM or the Marketplace). If you make less than 400% FPL, then you may qualify for a subsidy to lower your monthly premium.

• 400% FPL income limit
  - Household of 1: $4,896
  - Household of 2: $6,612
  - Household of 3: $8,328
  - Household of 4: $10,044

• Healthcare.gov application can be confusing. If you want assistance, please contact one of our Community Partners. They are trained in Med-QUEST and Healthcare.gov application processes.
Med-QUEST Required Documents – U.S. Citizens

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• Unemployment Insurance Benefits Award letter – showing your weekly benefit amount
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How to apply for health Insurance – Legal Permanent Residents/Green Card Holders

If you...
• Lived in the U.S. for less than 5 years (see date on your LPR/Green card “Resident since”) and
• Are a healthy adult between the ages of 19 and 64 years old

Then, you DO NOT qualify for Med-QUEST.

You will need to apply for Med-QUEST to receive a denial due to immigration status (less than 5 years). And then, you can apply to Healthcare.gov.

You may qualify for the Premium Assistance Program through the State of Hawaii which will provide further assistance in paying for your monthly premiums.

Highly recommend: To work with a community partner when applying for Healthcare.gov.
How to apply for health Insurance – LPR Citizens/Green Card Holders

If you...
• Lived in the U.S. for more than 5 years (see date on your LPR/Green card “Resident since”)
Then, you could qualify for Med-QUEST if your income is within the Medicaid limits.

If you are over income for Med-QUEST, then you can apply to Healthcare.gov and possibly qualify for discounts or subsidies on your health plan.

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How to apply for health Insurance – LPR Citizens/Green Card Holders

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• You must include the date of entry to the United States even though this is not a mandatory field in the application.

• If someone is applying who is 65 years or older, disabled, blind, or receives SSI or Social Security benefits, then Med-QUEST will ask for an 1100B form.
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• Copy of LPR/Green card, VISA or passport with I-94 showing your date of arrival into the U.S for anyone applying on the application

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How to apply for health Insurance – COFA Citizens

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• Are a healthy adult between the ages of 19 and 64 years old
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