Former Foster Care Children’s (FFCC) Medicaid

What is FFCC?

Former Foster Care Children’s Medicaid (FFCC) is available to former foster youth under the Affordable Care Act up to the age of 26. To qualify, someone must have aged out of foster care or the Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Resettlement Program in the state of Texas at age 18 or older, received federally funded Medicaid when they aged out of foster care, be between the ages of 18 up to 26, currently live in Texas, and meet the citizenship/immigration status requirements. There is no income or asset limit!

How do I apply?

You can apply online at www.yourtexasbenefits.com. Be sure to select that you are a “Person who: (1) is age 25 or younger, and (2) was age 18 or older when they were in foster care or the Unaccompanied Refugee Minor’s Resettlement Program.”

You can also print and mail or fax form H1205 Application for Health Coverage & Help Paying Costs from www.yourtexasbenefits.com. Or you can call 2-1-1 and request the form be sent to you. Be sure to check “Yes” for Question #17: “Were you in foster care at age 18 or older?” There is information about where to send the application at the end of the form.

What do I have to do to keep my coverage?

Keep your address up to date so you can receive renewal notices and other important information. You can change your address online or by calling 2-1-1. When you receive the renewal notice, send the requested information. The most important thing is to send something that shows your current address or where you receive mail. If you have an unstable housing situation, you or someone familiar with your situation can send a letter stating your name and that you don’t have stable housing, but that you live in Texas and receive mail at the address you include.

What if I am denied or have questions?

You can call 2-1-1 between the hours of 8:00am and 6:00pm, Central Standard Time, Monday through Friday. Say “I need to talk to the foster youth specialist.” If you continue to have issues or have any questions, you can contact the Texas Foster Youth Justice Project toll free at 877-313-3688 or at info@texasfosteryouth.org. You can find more information about FFCC at TexasFosterYouth.org in the Health Insurance/Medical section.

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