

Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services Health Insurance Premium Programs (HIPP)

The department offers 2 premium assistance programs for Medicaid members without Medicare coverage, the first is known simply as the HIPP program and the second is known as the HIPP For Kids program.

HIPP- is a premium assistance program that may be available to people with Medicaid that helps pay <u>part or</u> <u>all</u> of their health insurance premiums	HIPP For Kids -is a premium assistance program that may be available to children under the age of 19 years of age who are also eligible for Medicaid that pays their <u>entire</u> health insurance premium. Cost sharing may apply to non-covered copayment, deductibles and other expenses not covered by the primary insurer.
 What makes me eligible for HIPP? 1. A household member has to have Medicaid full coverage 2. Must have/be able to get insurance through your employer 3. Health insurance must meet program criteria, including cost effectiveness 	 What makes me eligible for HIPP For Kids? 1. A household member must be eligible for Medicaid and be less than 19 years old 2. Must have/be able to get insurance through your employer 3. Health insurance must meet program criteria
Cost Effectiveness Criteria- means that it costs the Medicaid Program less to pay for your health insurance costs than to directly pay for all medical costs; this is done by comparing the average cost for your Medicaid eligible family member to the cost of your health insurance premiums	Health Insurance Criteria- the insurance must provide comprehensive medical coverage and your employer must pay at least 40% of the total cost of the health insurance premium
HIPP does not provide Premium Assistance for: indemnity plans, plans paying limited amounts for services; plans limited to temporary periods; plans that are not comprehensive; and high deductible health plans with deductibles that are equal to or in excess of the Department of Treasury standards; and family plans when there are 3 or more members on the health plan who are not Medicaid eligible (i.e. full coverage Medicaid)	HIPP For Kids does not provide Premium Assistance for: plans that are not eligible for premium assistance include indemnity plans, plans paying limited amounts for services; plans limited to temporary periods; plans that are not comprehensive; and high deductible plans health plans with deductibles equal to or in excess of the Department of Treasury standards; and non-medical insurance, such as vision or dental plans
Deductible Limits: Year Per Individual Per family	
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to <u>HIPPcustomerservice@dmas.virginia.gov</u> , send a Fax to the HIPP Unit at (804) 452-5447 or by sending a letter to:	
Department of Medical Assistance Services Health Insurance Premium Payment Programs Unit 600 E. Broad Street, 1st Floor Richmond, VA 23219 (804) 225-4236 / (800) 432-5924 (in Virginia) Application forms and additional information is available on the web at: https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/	