

# Virginia Medicaid is Taking Action to Fight COVID-19



No co-pays for any Medicaid or FAMIS covered services



No pre-approvals needed and automatic approval extensions for many critical medical services



Outreach to higher risk and older members to review critical needs



90 day supply of many routine prescriptions



Ensuring members do not inadvertently lose coverage due to lapses in paperwork or a change in circumstances



Encouraging use of telehealth

**Medicaid covers all COVID-19 testing and treatment. Call your doctor.**

## Frequently Asked Questions

### How can I get health coverage?

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### I am sick but cannot afford my co-pay to see the doctor. What should I do?

All Medicaid and FAMIS co-pays are eliminated. You do not need to pay anything to see a doctor.

### I am worried my prescriptions will run out. How can I prepare?

Medicaid is allowing members to fill a 90-day supply of many routine prescriptions. Check with your pharmacist or doctor.

### Check out our FAQs

for answers to more of your questions.

[https://coverva.org/materials/FAQ\\_Final\\_3\\_20.pdf](https://coverva.org/materials/FAQ_Final_3_20.pdf)

## Stay Connected!

Sign up for regular updates and information about your health coverage and COVID-19

[https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/VADMAS/subscriber/new?qsp=VADMAS\\_2](https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/VADMAS/subscriber/new?qsp=VADMAS_2)

### Follow us on social media

to keep up with the latest Medicaid news on coronavirus.



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Have other questions about how Medicaid is improving access to care in response to COVID-19?

Contact DMAS here:

<http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/contactforms/#/general>

# COVID-19 Information for Medicaid Members

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## **Will my current coverage be canceled if I experience a change in circumstances and/or I was late mailing in my renewal documents?**

No, Virginia Medicaid will not cancel coverage for eligible individuals due to a change in circumstances or paperwork issues. Our priority is to maintain your coverage during this time. If you experience issues, please contact <http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/contactforms/#/general> so that we might assist you.

## **I had to move out of Virginia temporarily because of the coronavirus, but I am still a resident of Virginia. Can I keep my Medicaid coverage?**

Yes, you will continue to be eligible for Medicaid coverage.

## **Can I receive behavioral health services through telehealth or by telephone?**

Virginia Medicaid has issued guidance to providers allowing the following Medicaid services to be offered through telehealth and by telephone: care coordination, case management, peer services, needs assessments, and psychiatric services, including medication management and individual, group, and family therapy.

## **Will Medicaid make changes in its appeals procedures because of COVID-19?**

Yes. DMAS is making the following changes:

- DMAS is seeking federal authority to accept client/member appeals filed during the COVID-19 emergency that miss the normal filing deadlines. If the authority is granted, those appeals will move forward as if the deadlines were met. This policy will apply retroactively for the length of the Governor's emergency declaration, which began on March 12, as soon as approval is received.
- For all appeals filed during the state of emergency, Medicaid members will automatically keep their health coverage and have access to Medicaid-covered medical services without any financial impact while the appeal is proceeding. Medicaid managed health plans will also approve continued coverage while their internal appeal process is underway.
- All DMAS State Fair Hearings will be conducted by telephone.
- DMAS will grant requests to reschedule hearings.
- Appeals may be submitted to DMAS via e-mail at [Appeals@DMAS.Virginia.gov](mailto:Appeals@DMAS.Virginia.gov)

State Fair Hearing decisions may not be issued within the normal timeframe, depending on the length of the emergency.

## Help in Any Language

ATTENTION: If you do not speak English, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call 804-786-7933 (TTY: 1-800-343-0634).

### Español (Spanish)

ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 804-786-7933 (TTY:1-800-343-0634).

### 한국어 (Korean)

주의: 한국어를 사용하시는 경우, 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. 804-786-7933 (TTY:1-800-343-0634) 번으로 전화해 주십시오.

### Tiếng Việt (Vietnamese)

CHÚ Ý: Nếu bạn nói Tiếng Việt, có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho bạn. Gọi số 804-786-7933 (TTY:1-800-343-0634).

### 繁體中文 (Chinese)

注意：如果您使用繁體中文，您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電 804-786-7933 (TTY:1-800-343-0634)。

### العربية (Arabic)

المساعدة خدمات فإن، اللغة اذكر تتحدث كنت إذا: ملحوظة هاتف رقم 804-786-7933 برقم اتصل. بالمجان لك تتوافر اللغوية والبكم الصم: 1-800-343-0634

### Tagalog (Tagalog – Filipino)

PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa 804-786-7933 (TTY: 1-800-343-0634).

### فارسی (Farsi)

زبان به اگر: توجه 804-786-7933 (TTY:1-800-343-0634) شما برای رایگان بصورت زبانی تسهیلات، کنید می گفتگو فارسی با. باشد می فراهم

### አማርኛ (Amharic)

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### اردو Urdu

خدمات کی مدد کی زبان کو آپ تو، ہیں بولتے اردو آپ اگر: خیردار 804-786-7933 (TTY:1-800-343-0634) - ہیں دستیاب میں مفت

### Français (French)

ATTENTION: Si vous parlez français, des services d'aide linguistique vous sont proposés gratuitement. Appelez le 804-786-7933 (TTY:1-800-343-0634).

### Русский (Russian)

ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите на русском языке, то вам доступны бесплатные услуги перевода. Звоните 804-786-7933 (телетайп: 1-800-343-0634).

### हिंदी (Hindi)

नोट: यदि आप हिंदी बोलते हैं, तो भाषा समर्थन सेवाएँ आपको मुफ्त में उपलब्ध हैं। कॉल 804-786-7933 (TTY:1-800-343-0634)

### Deutsch (German)

ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlos sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zur Verfügung. Rufnummer: 804-786-7933 (TTY:1-800-343-0634).

### বাংলা (Bengali)

লক্ষ্য করুনঃ যদি আপদন বাংলা, কথা বলতে পাতেন, োহতল দনঃখেচায় ভাষা সহায়ো পদেতষবা উপলব্ধ আতে। ফ ান করুন 804-786-7933 (TTY:1-800-343-0634)।

### Bàsòwò-wùdù-po-nyò (Bassa)

Dè dɛ nià kɛ dyédé gbo: ɔ jũ ké m [Bàsòwò-wùdù-po-nyò] jũ ní, níí, à wuɖu kà kò dò po-poò bɛin m̄ gbo kpáa. Đá 804-786- 7933 (TTY: 1-800-343-0634)

### N'ihì na (Ibo)

Ige nti: O buru na asu lbo asusu, enyemaka diri gi site na call 804-786-7933 (TTY:1-800-343-0634).

### èdè Yorùbá (Yoruba)

AKIYESI: Ti o ba nso ede Yoruba ofe ni iranlowo lori ede wa fun yin o. E pe ero ibanisoro yi 804-786-7933 (TTY:1-800-343-0634).