CHP+ Contingency Planning

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Our Mission

Improving health care access and outcomes for the people we serve while demonstrating sound stewardship of financial resources
“I love CHP+. It’s been a blessing for my daughter and myself.”
CHIP Funding in Colorado Pays for Two Populations

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<th># of Kids and Pregnant Women Covered</th>
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<td>66,433 children 2,276 pregnant adults</td>
<td>75,287 children 788 pregnant women</td>
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<th>Family Income Limits (Estimate is for a Family of 4)</th>
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<td>MCHIP Kids: Up to $2,911/month</td>
<td>Up to $5,330/month</td>
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<td>MCHIP Pregnant: Up to $3,998/month</td>
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Department of Health Care Policy & Financing
Ongoing Contingency Planning

• Spending unspent federal fund allotments collected before October 1, 2017
  ➢ Funding estimated to last until January 31, 2018

• No immediate changes to CHP+ eligibility, enrollment, renewals or benefits

• If program ends, system will automatically check to see if CHP+ members qualify for Health First Colorado (Colorado’s Medicaid Program) or a subsidy to purchase private insurance through Connect for Health Colorado
Internal Collaboration

- Budget
- Systems
- Communications
- Operations
- Call centers
- Policy
- Legislative
- Legal

Close partnership with Connect for Health Colorado
Member Feedback Channel

Department Staff

Member Experience Advisory Councils
Targeted Messaging

- CHP+ Members & Applicants
- Counties & Other Eligibility Partners
- Health Plans & Providers
- Advocates
- Legislators
Future of CHP+ Website

Colorado.gov/HCPF/FutureCHP

Future of Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+)

October 2, 2017

Congress did not reauthorize federal funding for the Children's Health Insurance Program, known in Colorado as Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+), by the September 30, 2017 deadline. The Department has issued this official statement regarding the status of CHP+ in Colorado.

[CHP+ Member Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)]

Resource for Call Center Agents--Please use this resource if you work for a call center that answers questions about CHP+

Providers, stakeholders, advocates and other partners, please send questions to [HCPF_CHPPlusFuture@state.co.us]
## Resources for Call Center Agents and Member FAQs

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<td>Member question: What is happening with CHP+? Is CHP+ ending?</td>
<td>Q: I’ve heard people talking lately about CHP+ funding. What’s going on?</td>
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<td><strong>Staff response:</strong></td>
<td><strong>A:</strong> Federal funding for the Children’s Health Insurance Program, known in Colorado as Child Health Plan <em>Plus</em>, or CHP+, ended September 30, 2017. If Congress does not act, the program, as it is currently operating, will end January 31, 2018.</td>
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<td>• At this time there are no changes to CHP+.</td>
<td><strong>Q:</strong> Has anything changed yet? Are CHP+ members covered now?</td>
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<td>• Keep using your CHP+ benefits.</td>
<td><strong>A:</strong> There are no changes to CHP+ at this time. CHP+ members should continue to see the doctor and get health care, as usual.</td>
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<td>• CHP+ in Colorado will end January 31, 2018 if Congress does not act to allow CHP+ funding to continue.</td>
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Upcoming Resources*

- Webinars
- Toolkits
- Member communications
- Outreach
- Continued collaboration with Connect for Health Colorado
- Other resources for partners/stakeholders

*Subject to change based on congressional action
Thank You

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