



# Michigan's Medicaid Work Requirements

## When will the work requirements begin?

The program will start **January 1, 2020**. Michigan's Medicaid work requirements must be approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services before they go into effect. The state anticipates that the program will be approved, and multiple announcements will be sent to consumers in 2019.

## Who will be affected?

Work requirements will apply to the **700,000** Healthy Michigan enrollees.

**2.5 million** Michiganders receive Medicaid coverage.

**1.8 million** traditional Medicaid enrollees are exempt.



## Can Healthy Michigan enrollees apply for an exemption?

**Yes**, Healthy Michigan enrollees can apply for an exemption if they are:



- Age 63+
- Full-time students
- Former foster care youth
- Recently incarcerated
- Getting unemployment compensation
- Disabled, medically frail, or limited in work ability due to medical conditions
- Caregivers and pregnant women
- Eligible for a "good cause" exemption

Those who don't qualify for an exemption will need to work **80 hours per month**, on average, to maintain coverage.

## What if I can't find a job?

Michigan will count any of these activities toward **work requirements**:



- Jobs, internships, or job training programs
- Full-time studies
- Tribal employment programs
- Drug treatment programs
- Community service activities (up to three months each year)

Those who fail to meet the requirements for three months in a year will **lose coverage** for at least one month. Coverage will renew when they return to compliance.