

Key Message and Tips for Beneficiaries: My Responsibilities



Message

When you apply for Medicaid your responsibilities begin during the application process. You must make sure to give complete and accurate information.[1] It is important to know Medicaid program rules and your responsibilities because if you don't, you may do something wrong.

When you sign the Medicaid application you are certifying under penalty of law that the information you provide is true to the best of your knowledge.[2] You should ask questions if you need help.

TIPS

Follow these tips to make sure you abide by Medicaid guidelines. You must:

- Bring your Medicaid card to every doctor visit;[3, 4]
- Never let anyone else use your Medicaid card;[5]
- File for any other third party benefit that may be available to you, including Medicare;[6, 7]
- Pay back Medicaid if you get a third party medical payment for services Medicaid paid;[8]
- Let your health care provider know if you have any other medical coverage;[9]
- Pay any required copays;[10, 11] and
- Report any changes in your circumstances.

For more information about programs and services available in your area, visit <http://www.medicaid.gov/Medicaid-CHIP-Program-Information/By-State/By-State.html> for a link to your State Medicaid agency.

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