



# MONTANA MEDICAID: PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY (PE) FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

## HOW WILL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS IMPACT PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY?

**Providers should follow the following process to evaluate eligible individuals for community engagement requirements as part of the presumptive eligibility process:**

- Screen for financial eligibility and determine whether the applicant is eligible for presumptive eligibility under the Medicaid Expansion group (Aged 19-64 and up to 138% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). If they are eligible for Medicaid Expansion, the individual should be assessed for the following community engagement requirements:
  1. Determine if the applicant attests to having an exclusion at time of application.
  2. If applicant does not attest to having an exclusion, determine if the applicant attests to completing 80 hours of qualifying activities for the month prior to their PE application.
- If the applicant is compliant with community engagement requirements and meets all other criteria for eligibility, process presumptive eligibility determination.
- Remind the individual that members must submit a complete Medicaid application, including all required forms and verifications, within 30 days.
- For more information on exclusions and qualifying activities for community engagement, please visit [medicaidchanges.mt.gov](https://www.medicaidchanges.mt.gov).

Presumptive eligibility determinations for community engagement requirements for Medicaid Expansion individuals are **based on applicant attestation** (i.e., **QEs do not verify documentation or work hours** – Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services, DPHHS, will verify later at full application).

## WHO CAN SCREEN FOR PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY?

Only qualified entities (QE), who have received appropriate training and certification can make presumptive eligibility determinations. QEs must be registered Medicaid providers, and include, but are not limited to:

- Migrant Health Centers
- Public Health Departments
- Community Health Centers
- State Perinatal Programs
- WIC



- Indian Health Services/Tribal Health Programs; and
- Qualified Hospitals

Additional information can be found on DPHHS's website at:  
<https://medicaidprovider.mt.gov/presumptiveeligibility>

Note that presumptive pregnancy eligibility can be determined by any of the entities listed; however, only qualified hospitals can determine PE for other PE populations, such as:

- ACA HMK Plus (FMA 201-4)
- ACA HMK (FMA 201-5)
- ACA Former Foster Care Children (FMA 201-6)
- ACA Parent/Caretaker Relative (FMA 201-1)
- ACA Pregnant Woman (FMA 201-2)
- MBCCTP – Breast and Cervical Cancer (FMA 201-9)
- ACA Adult Medicaid (FMA 201-8)
- Plan First

## **NEED HELP OR HAVE QUESTIONS?**

For more information, scan this QR code or visit [medicaidchanges.mt.gov](https://medicaidchanges.mt.gov).

