

Medicaid and the Health Insurance Premium Payment Program (HIPP)

Georgia Medicaid members who are employed may be eligible for premium assistance through a Medicaid program called the Health Insurance Premium Payment Program (HIPP).

Working Medicaid members that cannot afford to pay the premiums for their employer group health plan may be eligible for HIPP if it is determined to save money for the Medicaid agency.

The Medicaid agency may save money by paying the health insurance premium of the Medicaid family if there is a person(s) in that family that has a lot of medical bills. HIPP does not pay coinsurance or deductibles.

If approved for the HIPP program, the Medicaid member must enroll -or, if already enrolled, remain in the employer's health insurance plan.

Once it is determined that a Medicaid member is eligible for HIPP, premium payments to the employer or reimbursement to the employee will begin upon the completion of the HIPP application and verification process.

HIPP participants must continue to be Medicaid members and meet the cost-saving rules to be eligible for the HIPP Program.

To determine whether you qualify for HIPP, contact your Medicaid worker at your local County Division of Family and Children Services (DFCS) and ask about the HIPP program.

If you would like additional information about the HIPP program, please call:

Health Management Systems, HIPP Unit for HIPP Application and HIPP Eligibility requirements at (678) 564-1162 ext. 2131.