



Key Points

Medicaid is a joint program between the Federal and State governments to fund health and social services. 90% of services provided by Gateways Community Services are funded through Medicaid. In order to offer diverse and innovative programming, Gateways needs to be able to bill Medicaid for services provided.

What does Medicaid mean to you?

- When your son or daughter turns 18, they are now eligible to apply for Medicaid to a specific program called Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled (APTD). This specific program includes only the individual's income and resources, and is based on their disability. Prior to 18, individuals can apply for Katie Beckett Medicaid or HCBC – Children with Severe Disabilities (CDS). The eligibility for this program includes proving institution level care for the child in the home and is based on the income of the child not the family. We encourage all individuals with developmental disabilities to apply. The coverage for this program is for individual up through their 19th birthday.
- Approval for APTD will provide medical coverage and cash assistance. Having Medicaid will give you access to specialized high school transition service coordination from a Family Support Service Coordinator (FSSC) or your Customer Services Agent (CSA). The FSSC or CSA will assist you to connect with community services, develop a service need plan, and request long term funding. Long term supports are funded through Medicaid. Private Insurance will not cover long term support services or service coordination.
- If you do not have Medicaid, you still have access to Family Support Programs but will not be eligible for intensive high school transition case management. You also will not be eligible to receive long term funding if you do not have Medicaid when you turn 21.
- Long term funding may only be available to those participants who are 21 years or older who have Medicaid and have identified a service plan with a Service Coordinator or CSA. Funds for long term services are subject to availability. Long term supports would include such things as:
 - Adult Custom Services (ACS) : provides the opportunity for individuals to design and manage their own supports and services
 - Vocational Services: supports employment needs
 - Day Activity Services: supports social and recreational needs
 - Community Support Services: Hourly supports to enhance a person's life
 - Service Coordinators who help with planning and resources
 - Gateways Community Services Representative Payee Services for Social Security and Medicaid
 - Variety of Supported Living Services

Medicaid assists your loved one to have access to support, guidance, long term support services, medical coverage, and cash assistance. Gateways Community Services can assist to you apply and complete the application process with the local Medicaid District Office.

Please contact your Family Support Service Coordinator or Customer Services Agent with any questions at 882-6333.