

HUSKY A Parent Transition



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June Special Session, Public Act No. 15-5

- Effective August 1, 2015.
- Reduces the HUSKY A Income Limit for Parents and Caretaker Relatives from 196% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) to 150% FPL.
- MAGI rules also require an income disregard of 5% FPL.
- The inclusion of the 5% income disregard results in an effective income limit of 155% FPL.
- Income limit for children remains at 196% FPL.



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Reporting Requirements

Sec. 371. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (c) Not later than November 1, 2015, and quarterly thereafter until December 1, 2017, the commissioner and the Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange shall report to the Council on Medical Assistance Program Oversight on the number of such parents and caretaker relatives who, due to changes in income eligibility effective August 1, 2015, (1) were no longer eligible for Medicaid, (2) remained eligible after the commissioner's review pursuant to this section, (3) lost Medicaid coverage and enrolled in a qualified health plan without a gap in coverage, (4) lost Medicaid coverage and did not enroll in a qualified health plan immediately after such coverage loss, and (5) enrolled in a qualified health plan but were disenrolled for failure to pay premiums.



Reporting Requirements

(1) The number of parents and caretaker relatives who were no longer eligible for Medicaid:

As of August 1, 2015, there were **18,903** HUSKY A Parents with household incomes above 155% FPL.

- **17,688** in households with earnings, eligible for 12 months of HUSKY Transitional Medical Assistance (TMA) from August 2015 through July 2016.
- **1,215** in households without earnings.



Parents Receiving Transitional Medical Assistance

Of the **17,688** parents who qualified for TMA from August 2015 through July 2016:

- **13,811** were receiving TMA as of June 2016;
- **2,408** were receiving coverage in other HUSKY categories as of June 2016; and
- **1,469** were no longer receiving HUSKY as of June 2016.



Reporting Requirements

(2) The number of parents and caretaker relatives who remained eligible after the Commissioner's review:

DSS and Access Health instructed the 13,811 parents scheduled to lose TMA eligibility as of July 31, 2016 to update their case information as they may re-qualify for HUSKY if their circumstances changed.

- 4,163 parents re-established eligibility for HUSKY A; and
- 115 parents established eligibility for HUSKY D.



Reporting Requirements

(2) The number of parents and caretaker relatives who remained eligible after the Commissioner's review:

DSS also reviewed eligibility for HUSKY C, the Medicare Savings Programs, and the Breast & Cervical Cancer and Tuberculosis groups.

- 19 parents qualified for the Medicare Savings Programs;
- 2 parents qualified for HUSKY C; and
- 1 parent qualified for the Breast & Cervical Cancer group.

In total, 4,300 of the 13,811 parents losing TMA coverage as of July 31, 2016 were able to retain coverage in various HUSKY categories.



Reporting Requirements

(2) The number of parents and caretaker relatives who remained eligible after the Commissioner's review:

- As of August 2016, 537 of the 1,215 Non-TMA parents are receiving Medicaid.
- *Overall, 4,837 parents received HUSKY coverage in August 2016.*



Reporting Requirements

(2) The number of parents and caretaker relatives who remained eligible after the Commissioner's review:

August 2016 Medicaid enrollment (all parents)

	Parents
HUSKY A	3,826
TMA	602
HUSKY A for Pregnant Women / Post Partum Extension	189
Medicare Savings Program (MSP)	26
HUSKY C/MSP & BCC	5
HUSKY D - Low Income Medicaid	189
Grand Total	4,837

Reporting Requirements

(3) The number of parents and caretaker relatives who lost Medicaid coverage and enrolled in a qualified health plan without a gap in coverage.

Current Snapshot – (8/29/2016)

	Enrollee Count
No Gap In Coverage (3)	
With Earnings	1,971
Without Income	50
Grand Total	2,021

May Cohort – Without Earnings – (5/5/2016)

	Enrollee Count
Currently Enrolled in Medicaid (2)	3
Currently Enrolled in QHP	67
Selected QHP but Canceled/Disenrolled (5)	10
Grand Total	80

Reporting Requirements

(4) The number of parents and caretaker relatives who lost Medicaid coverage and did not enroll in a qualified health plan immediately after such coverage loss.

Current Snapshot – (8/29/2016)

	Enrollee Count
Gap In Coverage (4)	
With Earnings	532
Without Earnings	85
Grand Total	617

May Cohort – Without Earnings – (5/5/2016)

	Enrollee Count
Currently Enrolled in Medicaid (2)	3
Currently Enrolled in QHP	52
Selected QHP but Canceled/Disenrolled (5)	12
Grand Total	67

Reporting Requirements

(5) The number of parents and caretaker relatives who enrolled in a qualified health plan but were disenrolled for failure to pay premiums*.

	Enrollee Count
Selected QHP but Canceled/Disenrolled (5)	
With Earnings	105
Without Earnings	57
Grand Total	162

** Includes disenrollment related to voluntary cancelations and verification failures.*

HUSKY A Transitions

Enrollee Count by Enrollment Status and Coverage Start Month

Run Date: 8/29/2016

	With Earnings	Without Earnings	Grand Total
Currently Enrolled in Medicaid (2)	4,300	537	4,837
Currently Enrolled in QHP	2,503	135	2,638
No Gap In Coverage (3)	1,971	50	2,021
Gap In Coverage (4)	532	85	617
Selected QHP but Canceled/Disenrolled (5)	105	57	162
No Active Enrollment Status (1)	6,903	486	7,389
Grand Total	13,811	1,215	15,026

(1) were no longer eligible for Medicaid but may have insurance from other sources

(2) remained eligible after the Commissioner's review

(3) lost Medicaid coverage and enrolled in a qualified health plan without a gap in coverage

(4) lost Medicaid coverage and did not enroll in a qualified health plan immediately after such coverage loss

(5) enrolled in a qualified health plan but were disenrolled for failure to pay premiums (includes disenrollment related to voluntary cancellations and verification failures). May have insurance from other sources