

MEDICAID MEMBERS

Work or Activity Rules for Some Adults

Medicaid rules are changing January 1, 2027. If you are ages 19-64 and enrolled in the Adult Medicaid category, you may need to meet the work or activity rules.

» What's Changing?

Starting January 1, 2027

- You may need to complete 80 work or activity hours in any one month during your renewal period or in the month prior to application.
- If you qualify for an exemption, notify HCA of your exemption.
- Keep proof of each month's work or activity hours in case HCA asks for documentation.
- You must renew your Medicaid coverage every 6 months instead of every 12 months.
- You can only receive 1 month of retroactive coverage when you first apply for Adult Medicaid.

» How to Complete Work or Activity Hours

There are many ways you can complete your 80 work or activity hours. Approved activities may include

- Working
- Volunteering
- Going to job training or an approved work program
- Going to school at least half time
- Having a monthly income of at least \$580 or more (earned/or unearned)
- Being a seasonal worker with average monthly income of at least \$580 over 6 months

You can combine these activities to reach your 80 hours in a month.

» What If You Don't Report Work or Activity Hours?

If you must complete work or activity hours and HCA cannot automatically verify completion, you will receive a Help Us Make a Decision (HUMAD) letter. Please respond with proof of your work or activity hours or any exemptions you qualify for.

For More Information

 Visit **HCA.NM.GOV/KeepYourBenefitsNM** Chat online at **YES.NM.GOV** Call **1-800-283-4465** Visit a **local HCA Income Support Division office**

» For help finding work visit **dws.state.nm.us**

» For volunteer opportunities in the Albuquerque area visit **oneabqvolunteers.com**