Frequently Asked Questions About Virginia Medicaid for Noncitizens

Are noncitizens eligible for Medicaid?

Medicaid eligibility rules for noncitizens vary for different groups. Assuming noncitizens meet all other eligibility requirements, including income, some noncitizens are eligible for full Medicaid benefits, while others are eligible for emergency services.

We encourage you to apply for Medicaid by calling Cover Virginia at 1-855-242-8282. Translation and interpreter services are available. You can also apply online at www.commonhelp.virginia.gov or at your Local Department of Social Services.

Which groups of non-citizens may qualify for healthcare assistance?

If an individual meets other eligibility requirements and an eligible immigration status they may qualify for Medicaid. To see a full list of eligibility immigration statuses, visit the How to Apply page.

What about children or pregnant women who are noncitizens?

- Children under the age of 19 and pregnant persons who are lawfully residing immigrants and who meet other eligibility requirements may qualify for full health care coverage.
- Children under the age of 19 and pregnant women who do not meet the immigration eligibility requirements may be eligible for the coverage of emergency medical services.
- A parent’s immigration status is not required or considered when determining a child’s eligibility for Medicaid.

Visit www.coverva.org or www.cubrevirgina.gov for more information.
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