What is the Ticket to Work Health Assurance (TWHA) program?

The TWHA program helps employed people with disabilities get MO HealthNet (Medicaid) coverage to help pay for doctor visits and other medical care.

TWHA uses income rules that allow disabled workers to qualify for coverage even if their earnings put them above the usual MO HealthNet income limit.

What medical bills are covered by MO HealthNet?

MO HealthNet (Medicaid in Missouri) pays for medical care such as:

- Prescription medicines
- Hospital services, including emergency department
- · Services from a lab or other tests
- Dental and eye care services
- Private-duty nursing services you get in your home
- Certain care services in your home
- Certain medically-related day health care or adult day treatment
- Durable medical equipment, such as oxygen, wheelchair, crutches, walker or nebulizer, if medically necessary
- Prosthetic devices, hearing aids, and eyeglasses

Reporting responsibility

You must report any changes in circumstances within 10 days of when they happen, no matter what causes the change. You have a continuing obligation to report and cannot wait until you are contacted. Any information provided is subject to verification by Federal, State and Local officials. You may be denied benefits and/or be subject to criminal prosecution for knowingly providing false information.

Discrimination

The Missouri Department of Social Services is committed to the principles of equal access to services. Applicants for or recipients of services from DSS who believe they have been denied a service or benefit because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, or religion may file a complaint by writing to:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Office for Civil Rights
601 East 12th Street, Room 353
Kansas City, MO 64106
Or call: (800) 368-1019; TDD (800) 537-7697.

or

Office of Civil Rights P.O. Box 1527 Jefferson City, MO 65102-1527 (800) 776-8014

Missouri Department of Social Services FAMILY SUPPORT DIVISION

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Ticket to Work Health Assurance (TWHA) Program



Medical coverage for disabled workers in Missouri

If you are totally disabled and working, TWHA may help you qualify for Medicaid coverage – even if your income is above the Medicaid limit.

Learn more and see if you might qualify



Who can qualify for the TWHA program?

The TWHA program is for people with disabilities who work. Use this checklist to see if you might qualify:

Questions about you	
 Are you permanently and totally disabled? 	Yes No
2. Are you 16–64 years old?	Yes No
3. Are you employed, either for yourself or others?	Yes No
4. Do you live in Missouri and plan to stay?	Yes No

Questions about the things you own and money you earn

Note: We will ask you questions about the things listed here:

5. What is the total amount of your resources (include your spouse if you live Total Amount of Resources \$ together).

> Resources are things you own, such as bank accounts, stocks, bonds, and some life insurance. Your home, 1 vehicle (car, truck), and certain savings accounts are exempt, meaning you don't include them as resources.

6. What is your household's gross monthly income (include your spouse if you live together)? Gross Monthly Income \$

> Gross monthly income is the amount you receive monthly from job wages, plus payments from things like Veteran's benefits, pensions, and Social Security.

7. What is your household's net monthly income (include your spouse if you live Gross Monthly Income \$ together)?

> Net monthly income, for the TWHA program, means your gross monthly income minus these monthly amounts:

- Your earned income (the money you earn from working)
- An amount equal to ½ of your earned income, to account for work expenses related to your disability
- Part of your non-disabled spouse's earned income: the first \$65 plus ½ of the rest
- All health insurance premiums you and your spouse pay, plus \$75 of any premiums you pay for your own vision and dental insurance
- All Supplemental Security Income (SSI) you and your spouse receive, plus \$50 of your own Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)
- \$20



If you answered "Yes" for all 4 checklist questions and your resources and income fall within program guidelines, you may qualify. (Find guidelines online at: on.mo.gov/ticket2work)

Apply today!

How do I apply for the TWHA program?

To apply for TWHA, you may fill out a MO HealthNet application online at mydss.mo.gov.

To get an application:



Call the FSD Information Center at 855-FSD-INFO (855-373-4636) to have an application mailed to you



Call or visit an FSD Resource Center. To find a center near you, call the FSD or visit our website: dss.mo.gov/dss map/

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