

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Eligibility Notice

JOHN TEST
CARE OF JOHN DOE
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NOWHERE, LA 12345-1234

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Dear JOHN TEST:

You are getting this letter because you or someone in your household is currently enrolled in Louisiana Medicaid through the **Provisional Medicaid, Medically Needy, Medically Needy Spenddown or Long Term Care Special Income level program**.

Because of possible budget cuts, **these programs may end** as of July 1, 2018, but the federal government must first approve ending the programs.

What happens to my Medicaid coverage if these programs end?

You may be eligible for other Medicaid programs. We will review your information to see if you qualify for another Medicaid program.

Before these programs end, you will receive a letter from Louisiana Medicaid letting you know whether there is any change to your Medicaid coverage.

What should I do now?

As of today, there is no change in your Medicaid coverage. You should continue to go to the doctor and use your benefits.

If your income is less than \$750 a month and you are either age 65 or older or you have a disability, it is important that you apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) if you have not already done so. It can take up to six months for the Social Security Administration (SSA) to make a decision. Anyone approved for SSI will receive Medicaid coverage.

There are three ways you can apply for SSI through the Social Security Administration:

- By phone: 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778)
- Online: <https://secure.ssa.gov/iClaim/dib>
- In person: To find the closest Social Security office, call or go online.

What happens next?

We understand that you may have questions and concerns. We will do our best to keep you informed through our web site www.ldh.la.gov. Our call center is also available from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, by phone toll-free at 1-888-342-6207, or e-mail at MedWeb@la.gov.

Sincerely,

Louisiana Medicaid

