Important Notice about Medicaid Renewal and Possible Loss of Eligibility

As part of the Public Health Emergency (PHE) in place since March 2020, the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) prohibited states from disenrolling any Medicaid recipient during the PHE to help ensure continuous coverage. This resulted in the Medicaid population growing significantly.

However, a provision in the federal Omnibus Bill signed in December of 2022 decouples the PHE from CMS's annual Medicaid enrollment process, and states are now required to resume annual Medicaid renewals.

What this means to us in Florida:

Outreach to Medicaid beneficiary to renew their Medicaid coverage may start in March of 2023. Individuals who no longer qualify for Medicaid may see Medicaid coverage termination notices as early as April 30 and this process is expected to last for 12 months.

Employees are encouraged to review the <u>United Healthcare information page</u> about this topic for information and resources.

Loss of eligibility for State Medicaid coverage is considered a qualified event for a mid-year special enrollment right to add a dependent to the County's medical plan. Employees must request enrollment within 60 days after termination of Medicaid coverage and show proof of loss of eligibility. Please review this tip sheet for adding a dependent to your group insurance coverage.

Qualified enrollment requests received by Risk Management for the Board's medical plan will take effect the first of the month following the employee's enrollment request; please contact Risk Management as soon as possible if you need assistance due to this change.

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