

# HEALTHCARE ACCESS MARYLAND

Making All the Children Healthy (MATCH)  
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HealthCare Access Maryland is a nonprofit agency that connects residents to public health care coverage and helps them use services effectively. We work with individuals, hospitals, policymakers, and social services organizations to strengthen Maryland's health care delivery system and make Maryland healthier.



Working closely with caseworkers from the Baltimore City Department of Social Services (BCDSS) and foster or kinship parents, HCAM serves every child placed in foster or kinship care by BCDSS. Among our services, we coordinate health assessments for all children in foster care; enroll them in the state's medical assistance program; help them obtain health, dental, and behavioral health services; case-manage children's complex health cases; and educate young people about how to access health care when they leave foster care.

Our services are outlined below.

## Medical Assistance Coverage

- Ensure program participants are enrolled in Maryland Medical Assistance, assign the appropriate Managed Care Organization through HealthChoice, and choose the appropriate Primary Care Provider for each child in care.
- Complete Medical Assistance redeterminations and request duplicate health insurance cards for children in care.

## New Entrant Health Care Coordination

Coordinate the following required health exams for all children newly entering foster care:

- Initial health screen (required within 5 days of placement)
- Comprehensive medical exam
- Dental exam (required for children 3 years of age and older)
- Mental health/developmental assessment

## Individualized Health Care Plan

- Nurses, social workers, and care coordinators develop a health care plan that includes recommendations for meeting any identified physical or behavioral health needs.

## Case Management or Care Coordination Services

- Coordinate routine health care for all children in care to assure routine medical and dental care is up-to-date.
- Provide ongoing case management for all children in out-of-home placement based on the child's health status. Children with complex medical needs receive medical case management from nurses. Children with complex behavioral health needs receive case management from licensed social workers. Psychiatric and pediatric case review consultations are available for all children in care to determine whether services and treatments are clinically appropriate.