

Breast Pumps and Lactation Consultation Services

Member Fact Sheet

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Purpose

Starting January 1, 2016, the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) will pay for breast pumps and breastfeeding support. Breastfeeding is the healthiest way to feed your baby. It is a natural way to give your baby the nutrition he or she needs. It improves your health too. These services can start during pregnancy and continue after the baby is born. They help a woman start and continue breastfeeding.

Who is Eligible?

This coverage used to be available only to women enrolled in a health plan. Now, all pregnant women enrolled in Medicaid, FAMIS, and FAMIS MOMS who choose to breastfeed are covered, as well as up to one year after the birth of the baby.

Note: Women who are covered by Medicaid or FAMIS because of being pregnant may lose coverage at the end of the month following the 60th day after the baby is born. If breastfeeding help is needed after these benefits end, contact the local Women, Infant and Children (WIC) program at 1-888-942-3663 or visit www.wicva.com.

What is Covered?

- ❁ Breastfeeding Consultation Services (Must be face-to-face)
- ❁ Breast Pumps and Supplies
 - Manual – Single User (Purchase)
 - Electric – Single User (Purchase)
 - Hospital Grade – Multi-User (Rental Only)
 - Milk Collection Kits for use with Pumps (Purchase)

How can I get these services?

- ❁ Ask your doctor about ordering these services; or
- ❁ Visit www.dmas.virginia.gov; or
- ❁ Visit www.vdh.virginia.gov/ofhs/DCN/vdhubreastfeeding; or
- ❁ If you are enrolled in a health plan, go to your MCO's Member Services Department for more information or visit www.virginiamanagedcare.com