

# **Children's 12-Month Continuous Coverage**

## What Children's 12-Month Continuous Coverage Means for Your Family

Children under 19 enrolled in Medicaid and FAMIS are given 12-months of continuous coverage. This means their coverage is protected and cannot be reduced or ended for the 12 months after enrollment and between renewals, even if the child or family has a change like an increase in household income.

#### **Exceptions**

There are limited exceptions that allow coverage to end before the full 12-month continuous coverage period is over.

- The child turns 19 (a member's eligibility will be re-evaluated when they turn 19, even if they enrolled or renewed less than 12 months ago)
- The child moves out of state
- Death of the child
- The child or their representative asks to end the coverage
- The child was enrolled due to agency error or applicant fraud

### **Important Reminders!**

#### Annual Renewals Are Still Required:

Eligibility is reviewed at the end of the continuous coverage period through the annual renewal process. Remember to open all letters from Medicaid and respond to requests for additional information! Children who remain eligible are given a new 12-month continuous coverage period.

#### Continue to Report Changes:

Members should still report all changes within 10 days.

- Changes may impact the eligibility of adults in the household.
- Having to the most up-to-date information makes the renewal process simpler and easier.
- Reporting changes to your address and contact information are important so you continue to receive all state communications about your Medicaid or FAMIS coverage.

## Do You Have Questions?

For questions, additional help, or language assistance services or large-print, Medicaid and FAMIS members are encouraged to call Cover Virginia at 1-833-5CALLVA (TDD: 1-888-221-1590).



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