FEDERAL MEDICAID NOTICE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID

Pursuant to 42 CFR 440.386, the director of the Ohio Department of Medicaid (department) gives notice of the department's intent to amend the Alternative Benefit Plan (ABP) that is authorized under section 1937 of the Social Security Act for individuals who are eligible for Medicaid pursuant to section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the Social Security Act (the adult expansion group).

The department is updating the ABP to make technical corrections to language regarding the enrollment of Medicaid and Medicare dual beneficiaries eligible under the adult expansion group into a managed care plan statewide.

The current MyCare Ohio demonstration program for Medicaid and Medicare duals is available in 29 counties until January 1, 2026. As part of the transition to the Next Generation MyCare program, on January 1, 2026, ODM will take a two-phased approach and roll out the Next Generation MyCare program in the 29 counties where MyCare is currently available today. Then starting on April 1, 2026, and continuing through the year, ODM will roll out the Next Generation MyCare program in the remaining counties.

Counties in phase one:

January 1, 2026

- AAA1: Butler, Warren, Clinton, Hamilton, Clermont
- AAA2: Montgomery, Clark, Greene
- AAA6: Franklin, Delaware, Union, Madison, Pickaway
- AAA4: Lucas, Fulton, Ottawa, Wood
- AAA10a: Lorain, Cuyahoga, Medina, Lake, Geauga
- AAA10b: Summit, Portage, Stark, Wayne
- AAA11: Columbiana, Mahoning, Trumbull

Counties in phase two:

April 1, 2026

- AAA4: Sandusky, Erie, Henry, Williams, Defiance, Paulding
- AAA6: Fayette, Fairfield, Licking
- AAA11: Ashtabula

May 1, 2026

- AAA2: Preble, Darke, Miami, Shelby, Champaign, Logan
- AAA3: Van Wert, Putnam, Hancock, Allen, Mercer, Auglaize, Hardin
- AAA5: Seneca, Huron, Wyandot, Crawford, Richland, Ashland, Marion, Morrow, Knox

June 1, 2026

• AAA7: Ross, Vinton, Highland, Pike, Jackson, Gallia, Brown, Adams, Scioto, Lawrence

July 1, 2026

• AAA9: Holmes, Tuscarawas, Carroll, Jefferson, Coshocton, Harrison, Belmont, Guernsey, Muskingum

August 1, 2026

• AAA8: Hocking, Perry, Morgan, Noble, Monroe, Washington, Athens, Meigs

The State assures compliance with 42 CFR 440.345 including full access to EPSDT services by requiring all Medicaid managed care organizations to provide EPSDT services under the terms of their contracts with the State, as required by 42 CFR 438.210(a)(2). Section 5006(e) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 is not applicable to Ohio as there are no federally recognized tribes in the State.

Written comments regarding these changes may be sent to the Ohio Department of Medicaid, Attn.: Office of Managed Care, 50 West Town Street, Fourth Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414 and may be reviewed at the same location. Comments may also be provided by e-mail at the following address: ManagedCarePolicy@medicaid.ohio.gov. Comments must be received by **December 26, 2025.**

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