

# could pregnancy be in your future? your checklist

**What do I need to know?** If your income is below 250% of federal poverty and you purchased a Qualified Health Plan through Maryland Health Connection you will have some decisions to make if you become pregnant. Why? During your pregnancy you will be eligible for health care coverage through Medicaid.

**What's covered under Medicaid?** Medicaid covers comprehensive services such as doctor visits, hospital care, prescriptions, mental health and substance abuse treatment as well as dental services.

**What do I need to do?**

- When you learn you are pregnant, contact Maryland Health Connection to better understand your options, including Medicaid coverage:
  - By phone – 1-855-642-8572, or
  - Online – [www.marylandhealthconnection.gov](http://www.marylandhealthconnection.gov);
- If you enroll in Medicaid, choose a Managed Care Organization (MCO). Or, if you have a doctor/midwife you like, discuss with them your options to remain under their care throughout your pregnancy.

**When would Medicaid coverage begin and end?**

- Coverage will be effective the first day of the month you apply. When your baby is born, call your MCO to make sure your baby gets enrolled in Medicaid right away.
- After you deliver, your Medicaid coverage may end two months after your baby is born. Call Maryland Health Connection to get coverage before your Medicaid expires.

**Where can I get more information?** Get all your questions answered – call the Medicaid Help Line for Pregnant Women 1-800-456-8900.

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