

HOW TO APPLY FOR MEDICAID BENEFITS

You can apply online, in person, by mail, or on the phone.

- ❖ To apply online, go to <https://benefits.ohio.gov>
- ❖ You can apply in person or by mail at the Sandusky County Department of Job and Family Services located at 2511 Countryside Dr., Suite A, Fremont, Ohio 43420
- ❖ You can apply by phone by calling the Ohio Benefits Hotline at **1-844-640-6446** and follow these steps:
 - 1. Select Option 3;
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 - 3. Select Option 1;
 - 4. Enter your zip code;
 - You will be given other options if you also want to apply for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits.

The State of Ohio has expanded Medicaid to include those up to 138% of the poverty level. There is no limited enrollment period for Medicaid- which means if you qualify, you can enroll in Medicaid at any time.

If you need assistance feel free to contact the following agencies:

- ❖ Sandusky County Department of Job and Family Services **419-334-3891**
- ❖ Community Health Services **419-333-5309**

The following individuals may qualify for Medicaid coverage in Ohio:

- ❖ Individuals with low-income;
- ❖ Pregnant women, infants, and children;
- ❖ Older adults;
- ❖ Individuals with disabilities.

To be eligible for coverage, you must:

- ❖ Be a United States citizen or meet Medicaid citizenship requirements. Sandusky County Department of Job and Family Services can help to explain these requirements and can help get you enrolled;
- ❖ Have or get a Social Security Number;
- ❖ Be an Ohio resident;
- ❖ Meet financial requirements. Even if you are not sure that you or your family will qualify for coverage, you should still apply.