



Our #1 priority is making sure our members have access to high quality health care, so **EVERYBODY BENEFITS.**

New York State is now conducting annual eligibility reviews and renewals for members enrolled in a free or low cost New York State sponsored Safety Net plan. As always, we are here to help.

Coverage status

New York State is terminating coverage for people who no longer qualify. Keeping coverage depends on the person's income, household size, age, and if they have a disability.

Some groups may have employees who will receive notice from NY State of Health or their county Medicaid office when it is time for them to renew their state-sponsored plan.

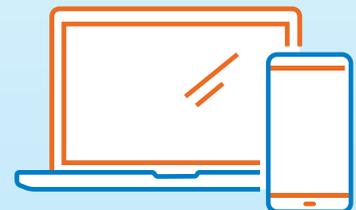
If an employee has a **spouse, partner and/or child(ren)** on their Safety Net plan, and they are unable to add them to their employer group plan, **we can help find alternate coverage options for them.**

Take action

- Talk to your impacted employees about a health plan through work
- Visit **ExcellusBCBS.com/Renew** to learn more about renewing, and other health insurance options



- If you have employees who no longer qualify for their current plan, please have them call us at **1-866-613-8507** (TTY 711) for help from our agents and local enrollers



Other coverage options

If an employee's current coverage ends because they no longer qualify, there are other options. Losing coverage is a qualifying life event, which means they can enroll in a new plan right away under a Special Enrollment Period.

Most people have three options:

1. A health plan through work
2. A health plan offered through the NY State of Health Marketplace
3. Medicare, if they are 65 or older

If you have an employee who needs to sign up for a new plan, the Special Enrollment Period deadline is typically 60 days.

Timing

If an employee misses the Special Enrollment Period, they will have to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment Period to sign up. Employers set their own open enrollment timing.

NY State of Health enrollment typically begins on November 15, for coverage starting on January 1.

Getting help and more information

We value all of our Excellus BlueCross BlueShield members. We care about the health and wellbeing of your employees and ensuring they have access to quality health care.

Our priority is making sure they keep their coverage during this renewal process. **We will be standing by to help.**

Visit [ExcellusBCBS.com/Renew](https://www.ExcellusBCBS.com/Renew) to learn more about renewing, and other health insurance options – including Medicare and plans offered through the NY State of Health Marketplace.

If your employee or their dependent no longer qualifies for their current plan, they can call us at **1-866-613-8507** (TTY 711). You can also contact your broker or account representative for assistance.

Two plans at once?

- It is rare, but some people may already have active coverage from their employer, plus Safety Net coverage – and they may not even be aware
- If an employee receives a notice canceling their Safety Net coverage, tell them not to worry – their employer coverage will still be active
- If they have dependents on their Safety Net plan, we can help find alternate coverage options for them
- If they have questions, they can call the number on the back of their employer plan member card, or contact you directly



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Si habla español, contamos con ayuda gratuita de idiomas disponible para usted. Consulte el documento adjunto para ver las formas en que puede comunicarse con nosotros.

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