

Making Sense of Medicaid: A Primer



- What is Medicaid
- How Medicaid works
- Medicaid vs. Medicare
- How to qualify for Medicaid
- How to apply for Medicaid
- Alternatives to Medicaid
- Cost-sharing requirements
- Medicaid and long-term care
- Medicaid managed care plans

Join the Pierce County Aging & Disability Resource Center for this primer on Medicaid. Medicaid provides health coverage to children, pregnant women, parents, seniors, and individuals with disabilities. It is the single largest source of health coverage in the United States. The Affordable Care Act of 2010 expanded Medicaid to cover nearly all low-income Americans under age 65. There are also parallel programs that have much broader financial qualifications. This free online workshop will serve as a general introduction to Medicaid for people of all ages and incomes. Ample time for questions will be provided. Presented by Matt Santelli, Community Outreach and Education Specialist for Pierce County Aging & Disability Resources.

Thursday, May 20, 2021 - 6:30 p.m.

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Learn the basics of Medicaid

Many of us have heard of Medicaid and Medicare, but they can be easy to confuse. Join the Pierce County Aging and Disability Resource Center for an online primer explaining the difference between the two, including how to qualify and apply.

“[Making Sense of Medicaid: A Primer](#),” will provide an overview of the program and is for people of all ages and incomes. Advanced registration is required, and participants can sign up using the link below:

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“There is a substantial amount of confusion about Medicaid,” said Aaron Van Valkenburg, Pierce County Aging and Disability Resources manager. “Some people rely on Medicaid services when they should not, while others who could pursue Medicaid fail to do so. Our hope is that this event will provide basic understanding that can dispel misinformation.”

While Medicaid exists in all states, each state offers slightly different services and tailors specific financial and functional eligibility guidelines. Washington state Medicaid, called [Apple Health](#), provides preventative care, like cancer screenings, treatment for diabetes and high blood pressure, and many other health care services such as immunizations, health home programs, transportation and more. In addition to Medicaid, this presentation will also include information about alternative programs and their available services, qualifications and application procedures.

“Making Sense of Medicaid: A Primer,” will be presented by Matt Santelli, Community Outreach and Education Specialist with the Pierce County Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC). The event is free but advance registration is required either online or by calling the ADRC at 253- 798-4600.

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