

Announcing the Ohio High Risk Pool: Providing health benefits for Ohio residents with a pre-existing condition.



The new federal health care reform law requires the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to provide a temporary health insurance program – a high risk pool – in each state for people with pre-existing conditions. The program will last through 2013, when full federal reforms take effect.

The program is designed to provide quality health insurance benefits at an affordable rate to uninsured Ohioans with pre-existing conditions.

The State of Ohio has designated Medical Mutual of Ohio as the official administrator of the program. Medical Mutual is now accepting applications, with coverage effective beginning September 1, 2010.

To be eligible:

1. You must be a U.S. citizen or legal resident of the U.S. and an Ohio resident.
2. You must present evidence of a pre-existing condition.
3. You must have been without coverage for at least the past six months.
4. You must not be eligible for coverage under the federal Medicare program, the Ohio Medical Assistance Program, the Ohio Children's Health Insurance Program or an employer-sponsored group health plan, unless you are subject to a mandatory initial waiting period.

For application information and eligibility requirements, contact Medical Mutual Customer Service at:

1-877-730-1117 TTY 1-800-982-8109

Call Center hours: Mon.–Thurs., 7:30am–7:30pm; Fri., 7:30am–6:00pm; Sat., 9:00am–1:00pm

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