

Premium Payment Program

What is the Premium Payment Program?

The Premium Payment Program:

- Increases private health insurance coverage for families who otherwise couldn't pay premiums.
- Reduces health care costs by keeping Washington Apple Health (Medicaid) the payer of last resort.
- Helps clients take advantage of private health insurance in a way that saves the state money.

Do I qualify for premium payment assistance?

To qualify for premium payment assistance, you must:

- Have Apple Health coverage and have access to private health insurance (through an employer, private policy or COBRA continuing your job's health insurance if you become unemployed).
 - If no one in your family receives Apple Health coverage, apply at wahealthplanfinder.org.
- Have a health insurance policy that Health Care Authority (HCA) finds complete and cost effective.

How can the Premium Payment Program help?

- Allows you to keep your Apple Health coverage and have private health insurance. This means your Apple Health coverage does not terminate when you enroll in the premium assistance program.
- Family members not enrolled in Apple Health may also be eligible for premium reimbursement if it is cost effective to the state.

How do I apply for premium payment assistance?

- After enrolling in Apple Health coverage, you can apply for premium payment assistance by downloading "13-705" and "IRS Form W-9" from hca.wa.gov/apple-health-client-forms.

Complete, print out and sign both forms and submit via:

- **Mail:** Premium Payment Program
Health Care Authority
PO Box 45518
Olympia, WA 98504-5518
- **Fax:** 1-877-893-3810

Where can I get more information?

- **Online:** hca.wa.gov/premium-payment-program
- **Phone:** 1-800-562-3022, ext. 15473
Business hours: Monday-Friday 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. (Pacific)