# **MEDICAID IN VERMONT**

Medicaid is the nation's public health insurance program for people with low incomes. In Vermont, Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) are commonly referred to as Green Mountain Care and Dr. Dynasaur.

## **How to Apply**

Vermont Health Connect (VHC) is the state marketplace where you can buy health insurance and apply for Medicaid. Apply at VermontHealthConnect.gov or call 1-855-899-9600.

Vermont Health Connect's **2023 Plan Comparison Tool** can help you determine if you qualify for Medicaid or another low-cost health plan. **Certified assisters can help you enroll.** 

To use the tool or find an assister, visit **info.healthconnect.vermont.gov** and click on "Compare Plans" or "Find Local Help" in the left sidebar.

### **Coverage for Immigrants**

Lawfully present immigrants can apply for Dr. Dynasaur any time through Vermont Health Connect. You can apply for a Vermont Health Connect plan during open enrollment or if you have a special enrollment period.

Undocumented and DACAmented Immigrants can apply for Emergency Medicaid any time. Pregnant people and kids under age 19 can apply for for the Immigrant Health Insurance Plan (IHIP).

### **Important Considerations**

Open Enrollment for 2023 health insurance plans began on 11/01/22. Sign up by 12/15/22 to have insurance starting 01/01/23.

During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE), people could stay on Medicaid without renewing coverage. The PHE has been extended through January 2023.

As the PHE nears an end, it is important to **update your contact information** to receive important updates. Call 1-855-899-9600 or log in to your account at VermontHealthConnect.gov.

### Free Legal Support

Call 1-800-917-7787 to reach the Office of the Health Care Advocate at Vermont Legal Aid or visit vtlawhelp.org/health.

### Take the Medicaid Survey!

The Rights & Democracy Institute is collecting surveys to better understand Medicaid experiences in VT.
Share your story to help make this program stronger! Scan the QR code to learn more.

