

Michigan Medicaid Benefits for Pregnant and Postpartum Individuals

Prenatal and Pregnancy Support

Prenatal medical visits: Access to regular checkups to monitor the health of the parent and baby during pregnancy. This includes care from community health workers (CHWs), doulas, and nurse midwives.

Routine tests and screenings: Services like lab work, ultrasounds, blood pressure monitoring, and screenings for infections or pregnancy complications.

Nutrition assistance: Support for healthy eating during pregnancy, including counseling on diet and, when recommended, prescription prenatal vitamins.

Vaccinations: Coverage for recommended immunizations for pregnant individuals.

Breastfeeding education: Help and resources to support breastfeeding, including counseling, access to lactation specialists, and a breast pump.

CenteringPregnancy Group Care: Some Michigan Medicaid clinics and providers offer CenteringPregnancy, a special option where prenatal care is shared in a group setting with other expectant people. During these sessions, you receive health checkups, learn about pregnancy and parenting, and build a supportive community with others who have similar due dates, all led by a trained health care provider. Find out more >

Postpartum and Ongoing Care

Extended postpartum eligibility: Medicaid in Michigan now continues coverage for 12 months after pregnancy ends, regardless of the pregnancy's outcome (for example, birth or miscarriage).

Postpartum checkups: Medical visits after delivery to ensure recovery, screen for complications, and address any mental health needs.

Screening and support for postpartum depression: Access to screenings and counseling or treatment for mental health conditions after childbirth.

Birth control and pregnancy planning: Counseling and access to different forms of contraception, as well as guidance for future pregnancy planning.

Labor, Delivery, and Hospital Care

Hospital and birth center stays: Coverage for delivery, including costs related to the facility and provider.

Care during delivery: Support from medical professionals, including doctors, doulas, or certified nurse-midwives, plus pain management if needed.

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Home Visiting and Community Services

Maternal Infant Health Program (MIHP): Free home visits from nurses, social workers, or dietitians to offer guidance, answer questions, and provide infant care support during pregnancy and up to the baby's first year.

Education about infant care and safe sleep:

Personalized advice at home on topics like safe sleeping for newborns, breastfeeding, and infant development.

Personal care and Home Help services: Services that help people with daily living tasks when a medical condition or recovery period makes self-care challenging.

WIC (Women, Infants & Children Program): Many individuals who qualify for Medicaid may also be eligible for WIC, a program that supplies healthy foods, nutrition advice, breastfeeding resources, and connections to health care services.

Non-emergency ride services: Arranged transportation for Medicaid patients to attend medical and prenatal or postpartum appointments when other options are not available.

Prescriptions and Medical Supplies

Medication coverage: Medicaid pays for many prescription drugs needed during pregnancy and postpartum, as prescribed by your provider.

Medical supplies: Certain medical devices or supplies related to pregnancy care may also be covered if your provider prescribes them, including a breast pump.

Dental and Vision Services

Dental care: Exams, cleanings, fillings, and some treatments during pregnancy to support overall health.

Vision care: Eye exams and treatment for vision problems when medically necessary.

Behavioral and Mental Health Care

Help for quitting substances: Access to counseling and programs for safe cessation of tobacco, alcohol, or substance use.

Mental health care: Counseling and psychiatric services, both during pregnancy and postpartum

Screenings for domestic violence or other risks: Evaluation and connection to supportive services if needed.



Newborn and Baby Benefits

(covered when parent is on Medicaid at birth)

Automatic Medicaid eligibility for babies for at least one year after birth, if the birthing parent is covered at the time of delivery.

Well-child checkups: Regular visits to monitor growth, development, hearing, and vision.

Vaccinations: All routine infant and childhood immunizations.

Developmental screening: Early identification of developmental or health concerns.

Hospital and specialist care: Coverage for any necessary treatments, hospital stays, or specialty care during the first year.





