

Health Care



Your family doctor or local hospital does not want to see you ignore health problems. If you have lost your health coverage, speak to your doctor or hospital about the possibility of negotiating reduced fees and payment schedules.

COBRA/CONTINUATION COVERAGE

If you participated in a group health insurance plan at your job before you were laid off, the Federal COBRA law requires that most employers offer you and your family a temporary extension of health coverage at group rates, called “continuation coverage.” Depending on the circumstances of your job departure, you, your spouse and dependent children may be eligible for coverage for a minimum of 18 months with a possible extension to 36 months in certain circumstances. You may be required to pay the full premium, including your employer's contribution. Speak to your employer or your health plan representative.

Medicare

Medicare is a federally funded medical insurance program administered by the Social Security Administration. You are eligible for Medicare hospital insurance if you:

- Are 65 and receive Social Security or railroad retirement benefits
- Are 65 and have been a federal, state or local government employee long enough
- Have received Social Security disability benefits for 24 months

- Are under 65 and have been a federal, state or local government employee long enough and meet the requirements of the Social Security disability program

For more information about these requirements and other features of the Medicare program, call:

Social Security Administration
(800) 772-1213
or visit www.ssa.gov

Medicaid

Medicaid is a state implemented medical program to help you obtain health care and related services. Those eligible for Medicaid include:

- Families receiving or who are eligible for TANF
- Individuals who are age 65 or older, blind or disabled
- Social Security Income (SSI) recipients
- Children who are born in the U.S., even if their parents are not citizens or legal residents
- Pregnant women and children if they meet both an income and assets test

For more information, call:

NV State Welfare Division
(702) 486-5000
or visit <http://dwss.nv.gov>

Medical Assistance

Clark County Social Services provides medical assistance to low-income individuals not eligible for other public or private programs. Client services include COBRA/insurance continuation assistance, payment for outpatient clinic care, inpatient hospital care, institutional care, adult day care, medical transportation and pharmacy services. Eligibility determination is based upon an assessment of need, call:

Clark County Social Services
1600 Pinto Lane
Las Vegas, NV 89106
(702) 455-4270

Health Insurance for Children

The Nevada Check Up/Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) provides health insurance for primary and preventative care for children up to the age of 18 who do not have health care coverage and are not eligible for Medicaid. Coverage also includes dental, vision and prescriptions. For more information, call:

Covering Kids/Nevada Checkup
6830 Oquendo Rd., Suite 102
Las Vegas, NV 89118
(702) 933-7335



Immunizations

For low or no cost immunizations based on your ability to pay, call:

Southern Nevada Health District
625 Shadow Lane
Las Vegas, NV 89106
(702) 759-1000

Prenatal Care

The Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Prenatal Care Program provides continuous prenatal care for low-income women. For additional information, call:

Maternal Child Health (MCH) Line
(800) 429-2669



Nevada Health Centers

You may also seek care at a local non-profit community health care center/clinic. These clinics provide a range of services on a sliding fee scale.

Cambridge Family Health Centers
3900 Cambridge Ave., #102
Las Vegas, NV 89109
(702) 307-5415
www.nvrhc.org

Martin Luther King Family Center
1700 Wheeler Peak Dr.
Las Vegas, NV 89030
(702) 383-1900

North LV Family Health Center
2031 McDaniel St., Suite 210
North Las Vegas, NV 89030
(702) 214-5948



Prescription Drugs

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Explain your situation to the doctor and ask if samples of the medications he/she is prescribing are available.

Often medical offices have these on hand.

The following non-profit programs can assist you in obtaining low cost or discounted medications:

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Clark County Social Services

1600 Pinto Lane

Las Vegas, NV 89106

(702) 455-4270

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Partnership for Prescription Assistance

Toll free (888) 477-2669

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Veteran's Health Benefits

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If you are a veteran you may be eligible to receive health care assistance. For information about the services available, eligibility requirements and locations, call:

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Veterans Administration Medical Center

(702) 636-3000

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Dental Care for Children

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Uninsured children who need dental care may be eligible for treatment at:

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University of Nevada

Las Vegas Enterprise Dental Clinic

1750 Wheeler Peak

Las Vegas, NV 89106

(702) 648-7231

Your guide to unemployment, health care, legal assistance and other basic needs.

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