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## **Medicaid Application Information for SSI Recipients**

### **Important Information for Adults with Disabilities Age 18 and Over**

- Have you applied for and been approved for SSI - Supplemental Security Income?
- Have you applied for Medicaid?

### **There are several ways to apply for Medicaid in Illinois**

1. Go to a Navigator in your community: <http://getcoveredillinois.gov/>
2. Apply online: <https://abe.illinois.gov/abe/access/>
3. Apply by phone with the ABE Customer Call Center at 1-800-843-6154. Applicants for both medical and SNAP benefits may apply over the phone. Call center staff will provide the caller with an application registration number as proof of the submitted application. Be sure to write the number down and keep it for future reference.
4. Apply by mail: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=33698>
5. Apply at your local DHS Family Community Resource Center (FCRC): <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?module=12&officetype=&county=>

Applying online is preferred if that is possible, and please remember to print and keep a copy of the information you submitted with the date the application was submitted.

### **One thing is the same for everyone on SSI applying for Medicaid**

Proof of your SSI status is the only proof of income you need for financial eligibility for the Medicaid AABD program (Assistance for the Aged, Blind and Disabled). Once you are 18 years old or over, and are enrolled in SSI, only your income is counted for Medicaid eligibility, even if you still live at home with your family. If you are married and/or have children, additional financial information may be required.

### **If you encounter difficulties in applying for Medicaid once you have been approved for SSI, please contact:**

- The Arc of Illinois Family to Family Health Information Center at 1-866-931-1110 or [familytofamily@thearcofil.org](mailto:familytofamily@thearcofil.org).
- The Illinois Life Span Program at 1-800-588-7002 or [deb@illinoislifespan.org](mailto:deb@illinoislifespan.org)