

Student Insurance/Medicaid

The Montana Medicaid/HELP program and the Montana University System are working in partnership to provide student Medicaid/HELP clients with excellent medical coverage at a reasonable cost to the taxpayers.

The student health insurance plan is cost-effective for a large number of Medicaid/HELP clients. When the state determines a group insurance plan to be cost effective, the Montana Medicaid/HELP client is **required** to enroll in the insurance program, and then apply for the Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) program.

- The HIPP program allows state Medicaid funds to be used to pay for private health insurance coverage when it is cost effective to do so.
- The program is designed to provide additional coverage, not replace the coverage they have, with the student health insurance plan.
- The student health insurance plan becomes the primary coverage and Medicaid/HELP as the secondary coverage.

Contact Sarah Dellwo at 406-447-6908, sarah.dellwo@helenacollege.edu; or stop by the Welcome Center on the Donaldson Campus. Please do so as soon as possible to obtain the State of Montana HIPP form to complete Medicaid requirements. **You can also find the form here: [Medicaid HIPP Form](#)**

*This form must be faxed to Montana Medicaid, and not returned to Helena College

IMPORTANT

Adult Medicaid/HELP clients **MUST** comply with Third-Party Liability programs, including the HIPP program, as a condition of keeping their Medicaid/HELP medical coverage. If they drop, or refuse, health insurance coverage that the state has determined to be cost effective, their Medicaid/HELP medical coverage may be canceled.

For questions regarding the Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) program, please contact: Brian Weiss, TPL Recovery Officer, Montana Medicaid
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