2013 Ohio Healthy Start Guidelines

Healthy Start/Healthy Families offers free health care coverage for families, children under age 19 and pregnant women. Coverage includes doctor visits, hospital care, prescriptions, vision, dental, mental health services and more.

Many Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps (BCMH) families are required to apply for Healthy Start/Healthy Families. Families with incomes greater than the guidelines in chart number 2 do not need to apply for Healthy Start.

Chart #1

Monthly incomes less than these guidelines MUST apply	
Family Size	**Monthly income***
1	$ 1,436
2	$ 1,939
3	$ 2,441
4	$ 2,944
5	$ 3,446
6	$ 3,949
7	$ 4,451
8	$ 4,954
9	$ 5,456
10	$ 5,959

Chart #2

Monthly incomes more than the first column, but less than the second column MUST apply if your family does not have private health insurance		
Family Size	**Monthly income***	
1	$ 1,436	$ 1,915
2	$ 1,939	$ 2,585
3	$ 2,441	$ 3,255
4	$ 2,944	$ 3,925
5	$ 3,446	$ 4,595
6	$ 3,949	$ 5,265
7	$ 4,451	$ 5,935
8	$ 4,954	$ 6,605
9	$ 5,456	$ 7,275
10	$ 5,959	$ 7,945

***Do not include SSI or grandparent income when looking at the above tables.**

Step 1: If your **gross** monthly income is lower than the guidelines in chart number 1 you **must** apply for Healthy Start before sending your financial application to BCMH, even if you have private health insurance.

Step 2: If your **gross** monthly income is between the guidelines in chart number 2 **AND** your family does not have private health insurance, you **must** apply for Healthy Start before sending your financial application to BCMH.

Step 3: If you applied for Healthy Start, send a copy of your Healthy Start approval or denial letter to BCMH. If you are denied for “over income” or “having health insurance,” often known as creditable insurance, please send a completed Combined Programs Application and current income verifications (pay stubs and most recent federal tax return) to BCMH with a copy of your letter.

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