Transitional MaineCare
Some members qualify for extended benefits

What is Transitional MaineCare?
MaineCare members with children under age 18 may be automatically enrolled in “Transitional MaineCare” when they report income that is over the limit. Transitional MaineCare will last for 12 months.

Transitional MaineCare is full MaineCare. Members continue to use their MaineCare benefits during this 12-month period. There is no income limit for transitional MaineCare, but members should continue to report changes in household size and income during the 12-month period.

Who qualifies for Transitional MaineCare?
Transitional MaineCare is offered to parents or caretakers who:
- Were eligible and enrolled in MaineCare the month before their change in income or household size.
- Continue to live with children under 18, or age 19 if still in high school.
- Reported a change in income that makes them no longer financially eligible.

What happens when the 12-month period ends?
Transitional MaineCare ends when members complete their renewal and continue to be over the income limit.

What happens if I lose my MaineCare coverage?
Members may be eligible for a Special Enrollment Period (SEP) to enroll in coverage through Maine’s health insurance marketplace at CoverME.gov. They may also be eligible to enroll through their employer or their spouse’s employer coverage. Call us at 1-800-965-7476 to learn more about Marketplace coverage eligibility.

What happens to the MaineCare benefits for other household members?
Children in the household will keep MaineCare for 12 months even if the household income goes over the limit or there is a change in household size.

Now that the Public Health Emergency is over, members with children under 18, or 19 and still in high school, who complete their renewal and are over the income limits will stay enrolled for 12 more months under Transitional MaineCare.

Members who already have Transitional MaineCare will not get an additional 12 months upon renewal.

Call Maine’s Consumer Assistance Program at 1-800-965-7476 if you have questions.