

**Table 9**  
**Renewal: Selected Simplified Procedures in Medicaid for Parents,**  
**with Comparisons to Children**  
**December 2009**

State	Program	Frequency†	No Face-to-Face Interview
Total	Aligned Medicaid for Children and Separate CHIP *	47	50
	Total Medicaid for Parents (51)**	43	46
<b>Alabama</b>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Alaska</b> <sup>2</sup>	▲ Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Arizona</b> <sup>3</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	▼ Expanded Medicaid for Parents	N/A	N/A
<b>Arkansas</b> <sup>1,4</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>California</b> <sup>5</sup>	▲ Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	6	Y
<b>Colorado</b>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Connecticut</b> <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Delaware</b> <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>District of Columbia</b> <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Florida</b> <sup>6</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Georgia</b>	Medicaid for Children	6	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	6	Y
<b>Hawaii</b> <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Idaho</b>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y

State	Program	Frequency+	No Face-to-Face Interview
<b>Illinois</b> <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Indiana</b> <sup>1,7</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Iowa</b> <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Kansas</b>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Kentucky</b>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	
<b>Louisiana</b>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Maine</b> <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Maryland</b>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Massachusetts</b> <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Michigan</b>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Minnesota</b> <sup>1,4</sup>	Medicaid for Children	6/12 (12)	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	6/12 (12)	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Mississippi</b>	Medicaid for Children	12	
	Separate CHIP	12	
	Medicaid for Parents	12	
<b>Missouri</b>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Montana</b>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>Nebraska</b> <sup>8</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	
<b>Nevada</b>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
<b>New Hampshire</b>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	6	Y

State	Program	Frequency+	No Face-to-Face Interview
New Jersey <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
New Mexico <sup>1,9</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
New York <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
North Carolina	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	6	Y
North Dakota <sup>10</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
Ohio <sup>11</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	▲ Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
Oklahoma <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
Oregon <sup>1,12</sup>	▲ Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	6	Y
Pennsylvania <sup>13</sup>	Medicaid for Children	6	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	6	Y
	Expanded Coverage for Parents	12	Y
Rhode Island <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
South Carolina	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
South Dakota	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
Tennessee <sup>14</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	▲ Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
Texas <sup>15</sup>	Medicaid for Children	6	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	6	
Utah <sup>1,16</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
Vermont <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y

State	Program	Frequency†	No Face-to-Face Interview
Virginia	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
Washington <sup>17</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	6	Y
	Expanded Coverage for Parents	12	Y
West Virginia	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	
Wisconsin <sup>1</sup>	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
	Expanded Medicaid for Parents	12	Y
Wyoming	Medicaid for Children	12	Y
	Separate CHIP	12	Y
	Medicaid for Parents	12	Y

SOURCE: Based on a national survey conducted by the Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured with the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, 2009.

### Notes for Table 9

▲ Indicates that a state has simplified one or more of its procedures for parents between January 2009 and December 2009, unless noted otherwise.

▼ Indicates that a state has rescinded one or more simplified procedures for parents between January 2009 and December 2009, unless noted otherwise.

\* “Aligned Medicaid for Children and Separate CHIP” indicates the number of states that have adopted a particular renewal simplification strategy and have applied the procedure to both their children’s Medicaid and their CHIP-funded separate program. States that have used CHIP funds to expand Medicaid exclusively are considered “aligned” if the simplified procedure applies to children in the “regular” Medicaid program and the CHIP-funded Medicaid expansion program. “Regular” Medicaid refers to coverage under Medicaid eligibility standards for children in place prior to CHIP; states receive “regular” Medicaid matching payments as opposed to enhanced CHIP matching payments for these children.

\*\* “Total Medicaid for Parents” indicates the number of states that have adopted a particular renewal simplification strategy and have applied the procedure to both pre-expansion Medicaid for parents and expanded coverage for parents, if the state has expanded coverage for parents. All 50 states and the District of Columbia operate a Medicaid program for parents. 17 states including the District of Columbia have expanded Medicaid coverage for parents up to 100 percent of the federal poverty line or higher.

† This column shows the frequency of renewals. If monthly, quarterly or semi-annual income reporting is also required, this frequency is noted in parentheses. Some states require change reporting, which is not addressed in this table. If the frequency of renewal is every 12 months, as opposed to six months or more frequently, the procedure is considered “simplified” for the purposes of this table.

Table presents rules in effect as of December 2009, unless noted otherwise.

1. In these states, “Expanded Medicaid for Parents” refers to coverage established through waivers. The coverage offered generally provides fewer benefits and has higher cost-sharing than allowed in Medicaid.
2. **Alaska** decreased the frequency of renewal for parents from 6 months to 12 months in October 2009. The state also implemented 12-month continuous eligibility for children in October 2009.
3. **Arizona** eliminated Section 1115 waiver coverage for parents with incomes between 101 and 200 percent of the federal poverty line, in October 2009.
4. In **Arkansas** and **Minnesota**, renewal procedures differ for families with children enrolled in Medicaid, depending on whether they are eligible under “regular” Medicaid or under Section 1115 waivers or CHIP-funded Medicaid expansions. In **Arkansas**, children who qualify under expansion rules receive 12 months of continuous eligibility, as opposed to a 12-month renewal period in “regular” Medicaid. In **Minnesota**, individuals who qualify under the state’s Section 1115 expansion program have eligibility reviewed every 12 months. In the “regular” Medicaid program, income reviews are required every 6 months and eligibility reviews are required annually.
5. In **California**, parents must submit a status report at six month intervals when a full eligibility review is not required. A full eligibility review is done annually. The state reinstated 12-month continuous eligibility for children in Medicaid in order to receive federal stimulus funds.
6. In **Florida**, parents who are enrolled in Medicaid, and who do not receive other benefits such as food stamps or TANF, have a 12 month renewal period. Parents who submit applications that don’t appear to be prone to error or fraud, known as “green track” applications, are not required to do an interview.
7. In **Indiana**, county offices may require telephone interviews but not face-to-face interviews.

8. **Nebraska** decreased the frequency of renewal for children's and parents' coverage from 6 months to 12 months in January 2009.
9. Under **New Mexico's** expanded Medicaid for parents, parents receive a notice instructing them to call to obtain a renewal form, which is a new application.
10. In **North Dakota**, parents enrolled in Medicaid must report their income monthly. A full review of eligibility is done annually.
11. **Ohio** decreased the frequency of renewal for parents from 6 months to 12 months in October 2009.
12. In **Oregon**, interviews are not required of families receiving Section 1931 Medicaid. The renewal period for parents covered under Section 1931 is "up to 12 months" though most families not receiving other benefits have a six-month eligibility period. **Oregon** implemented 12-month continuous eligibility for children's Medicaid and CHIP in October 2009.
13. In **Pennsylvania**, expanded coverage for parents is state-funded.
14. **Tennessee** eliminated the requirement face-to-face or telephone interview is required at renewal for parents and children in Medicaid in June 2009.
15. In **Texas**, children covered under CHIP get 12 months of continuous coverage, and the state conducts administrative renewal for children in families with income between 185 and 200 percent of the federal poverty line at 6 months to determine whether income has exceeded 200 percent of the federal poverty line.
16. In **Utah**, renewal periods for parent coverage are 12 months, but can be more frequent if income fluctuates.
17. In **Washington**, expanded coverage for parents is state-funded. Under this coverage, eligibility is reviewed every 12 months if the family's income information can be verified through data matches with the Employment Security Department. If income information cannot be verified through a data match, eligibility must be reviewed at least twice a year.