



Medicaid HR1 Changes

What's changing?	How?	When?
Non-Citizen Eligibility Changes	Limits Medicaid eligibility to U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents after a 5-year waiting period, removing eligibility for certain humanitarian statuses	October 1, 2026
More Frequent Medicaid Eligibility Determinations	Eligibility for the Medicaid expansion population must be determined every 6 months instead of the current practice of every 12 months.	December 31, 2026
Medicaid Work Requirements	80/hours a month work, education, or "community engagement" requirement for individuals aged 19 to 64. Exclusions for certain populations apply.	December 31, 2026 (HHS Secretary guidance to states by June 1, 2026)
Limiting Retroactive Medicaid Enrollment	Limit retroactive Medicaid coverage from three months before the application date for Medicaid expansion enrollees, and to two months for traditional Medicaid.	December 31, 2026
Benefit Cost Penalty for Payment	Federal funding cost shares triggered by Medicaid payment errors exceeding the 3% threshold.	October 1, 2029