

211 Information on Healthcare & Insurance

Coverage for COVID-19 Testing & Treatment: There is no cost to be tested for COVID-19. The Families First Coronavirus Response Act guarantees all Americans can receive free coronavirus testing. This includes those with private insurance, government insurance (Medicare, Medicare Advantage, HUSKY (Medicaid & CHIP), VA, FEHBP, and TRICARE), and even those with no insurance. Connecticut residents on Medicaid can also receive free treatment for COVID-19. Immigration Concerns? Undocumented individuals can seek medical care and testing for COVID-19 without fear of public charge – these services will not be considered when making public charge determinations.

Health Insurance – HUSKY: HUSKY is Connecticut's Medicaid program for low-income children, parents, pregnant women, and single adults. There is also a part of the program that covers children at higher incomes. HUSKY provides access to a comprehensive set of medical services. Unsure if you are eligible for HUSKY? Complete the 2-1-1 Navigator at http://www.211navigator.com/. The DSS field offices are currently closed to the public, but individuals can apply for HUSKY online at connect.ct.gov or by calling the DSS Benefits Center at 1-855-6-CONNECT.

Health Insurance – Access Health CT (Special Enrollment Period): Access Health CT is Connecticut's health insurance marketplace to connect uninsured individuals who are not eligible for HUSKY to other health insurance plans, which may be subsidized based on the household income. Individuals can apply online at www.accesshealthct.com or by dialing 855-805-4325. As the Coronavirus (COVID-19) continues to threaten public health, Access Health CT announced a NEW Special Enrollment Period for these exceptional circumstances available from March 19 through April 2, 2020 for qualified uninsured Connecticut residents. To see if you quality, contact Access Health between 8am-5pm, Monday-Friday or visit https://learn.accesshealthct.com/.

Don't Have a Doctor? Individuals without a physician who need to consult with or seek treatment from a healthcare provider can try and make an appointment with an urgent care center or a community clinic. A list of community clinics is available on **211ct.org** (enter the zip code/town and press search. There are also several COVID-specific hospital hotlines available that are staffed by clinicians – these are good resources for individuals without a doctor or who cannot reach their doctor. Click **here** for the list of medical hotlines. And individuals with insurance can also contact their insurance company for assistance finding a provider and to speak with a nurse hotline. CT HUSKY members can call 1-800-859-9889. Contact information for some of the commercial carriers can be found **here**.