



### Medicaid Renewals Upcoming:

[Linked here is the federal guidance from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services](#) on letting community members know about the upcoming need to renew Medicaid applications in the next few months. Here are a few bullet points:

- When the federal Health and Human Services (HHS) office declared the COVID-19 public health emergency **in 2020, that declaration paused the need for people on Medicaid to renew their Medicaid applications;**
- So millions of people across the US and tens of thousands of people in Travis County have been on Medicaid for almost three years without needing to renew;
- It's likely that **in August, HHS will declare the emergency over, so everyone will need to renew their Medicaid applications;**
- Unfortunately, Texas HHS will only send out renewal notices to people with accounts on [yourtexasbenefits.com](http://yourtexasbenefits.com) and via paper mail, and **since thousands of people have moved around, they won't be getting their HHS notices to renew Medicaid.** Even for those who live in the same place, they haven't been accustomed to responding to letters from HHS in three years;
- **People with kids on Medicaid should update their addresses on [yourtexasbenefits.com](http://yourtexasbenefits.com), by calling 2-1-1, or by checking with CommUnity Care's application assistance team at 512-978-9015;**
- **They should actively check their mail for messages from HHS, and if they get a renewal notice, they should apply to renew. For assistance, they can call Foundation Communities at 512-381-4520;**
- For clinics, community organizations, businesses, offices, and other groups who want to get these central Texas-wide materials once they're developed, please email Foundation Communities' Prosper Health Coverage Senior Program Coordinator Lynn Cowles at [Lynn.Cowles@foundcom.org](mailto:Lynn.Cowles@foundcom.org)