

Medicaid Redetermination

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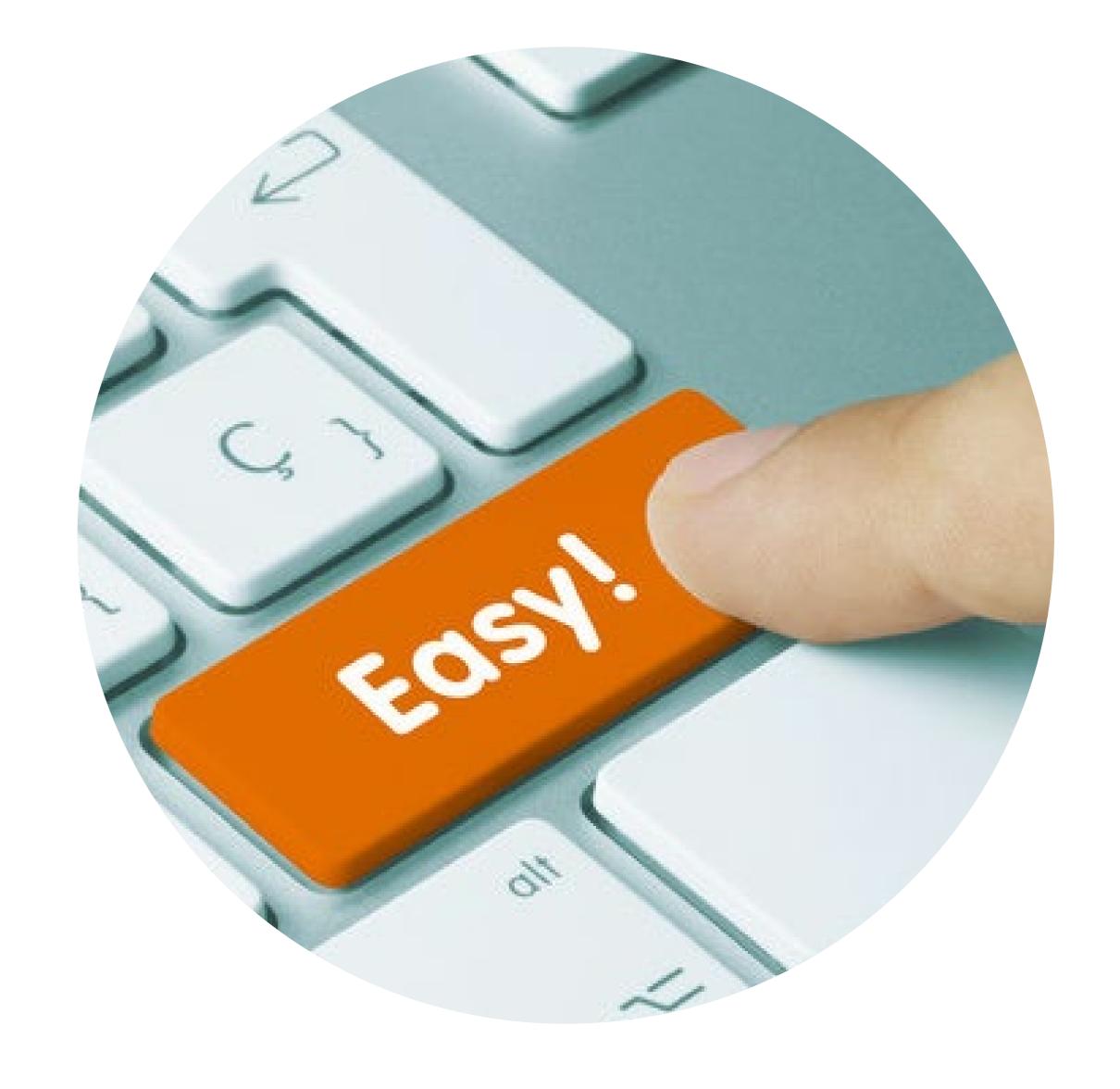
Purpose

We want working with us to be easy.

We have designed these materials to organize and simplify important information that can help your patients retain their Medicaid coverage.

We want to work in partnership with you to:

- Minimize the number of eligible members who lose coverage
- Provide all members with access to multiple customercentered redetermination completion and submission opportunities
- Ensure all Medicaid eligible members continue to connect with their healthcare providers





State of Illinois Updates



Managed Care Updates

- Continuous enrollment is no longer tied to the Public Health Emergency (PHE) end date
- Redeterminations are beginning again
- The timing is from June 2023 to May 2024
- First group of redetermination letters will be mailed by early May 2023
- First date Medicaid recipients could lose coverage is July 1, 2023
- All Medicaid enrollees will have to renew their coverage at some point
- Redetermination is a monthly on-going process





Redetermination Overview



Redetermination or Renewal

What is redetermination?

Medicaid redetermination (often referred to as Medicaid renewal) is the process Medicaid members <u>must complete annually</u> to determine their eligibility for Medicaid.

* Redetermination is every six months if members also receive SNAP benefits.

If Medicaid members do not complete the process and provide the required eligibility documents, their Medicaid benefits may be terminated.

Why is Medicaid redetermination restarting?

Medicaid redetermination termination was on hold during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE). With the PHE ending, HFS is restarting the redetermination process for Medicaid members. Many Medicaid members may be unfamiliar with the redetermination termination process because it was on hold for nearly three years.





Redetermination Timeline



When is Medicaid Redetermination?

- HFS is re-starting redetermination beginning with members who have a June renewal due date
- Redetermination paperwork will be mailed out at least 30 days prior to the completion due date that is printed on the forms
- Enrollees are instructed to complete the renewal process by the due date, or they could lose their Medicaid coverage
- HFS has built in a grace period of 15 days for enrollees who submit late
- If the information is not received by the end of the grace period, the enrollee's coverage will be cancelled

Redetermination Timeline Examples

Month of renewal	Date HFS Mails Renewal Forms	Renewal Due Date Printed on Forms	Date 15 Day Grace Period Ends	First Day/Month of Coverage Loss
June	04/27/2023	06/01/2023	06/15/2023	07/01/2023 - July
July	05/30/2023	07/01/2023	07/17/2023	08/01/2023 - August
August	06/28/2023	08/01/2023	08/15/2023	09/01/2023 - September

Redetermination is a monthly on-going process. All Medicaid enrollees will need to renew their coverage at some point during the rest of the year.



Redetermination Forms

Form A (Ex Parte): No Response Required

- Many Medicaid enrollees can be redetermined without submitting any forms or documents
 - This is called ex parte or Form A
- Form A notifies the enrollee that their coverage has been renewed using electronic verification
 - No action is required to keep Medicaid coverage
- Providers can find out if patient is Form A by checking MEDI within 30 days of the patient's renewal due date

Form B: Response is Required

Medicaid enrollees using Form B, must complete their renewal either by returning the forms mailed to them or completing the renewal application on ABE's Manage My Case

HFS estimates that approximately 35 – 40 % of Medicaid enrollee will be renewed through ex parte



What can Providers Do?



Support Members with Sample Messaging

Message to Members	Resources	Sample Messages
 Update Your Address You can help your Medicaid patients by encouraging them to make sure their information is up-to-date with HFS: Mailing address Phone number Email 	Members can update their information in two ways: 1. Call the HFS hotline (877-805-5312) 2. Complete an HFS web form	Don't risk losing your Medicaid coverage. Illinois Medicaid needs to be able to send you renewal paperwork. Make sure you give them an address where mail can reach you.
Complete Redetermination by Your Due Date Encourage your Medicaid patients to submit their redetermination paperwork by the due date indicated on their forms to maintain their Medicaid benefits.	You can find your patient' renewal dates in two ways: 1. MEDI 2. Meridian Provider Portal	Don't lose your Meridian Medicaid! Complete and submit your renewal paperwork by the due date listed on your form to keep your coverage.



Redetermination Action Plan

- Find your Meridian patients' renewal dates using the Meridian Provider Portal or MEDI
- Share the Meridian patient renewal list with your lead and front office staff who have direct contact with patients
- Flag patient redetermination dates in your billing and registration systems
- Connect Medicaid patients to the HFS <u>ABE website</u>
- Post Medicaid renewal information in your office

HFS does not allow MCOs to assist with completing the redetermination paperwork. Meridian will assist Medicaid recipients with enrolling in Manage My Case. Manage My Case allows individuals to receive their redetermination information electronically.





The Meridian Secure Provider Portal

Check member eligibility using our easy-to-use secure provider portal

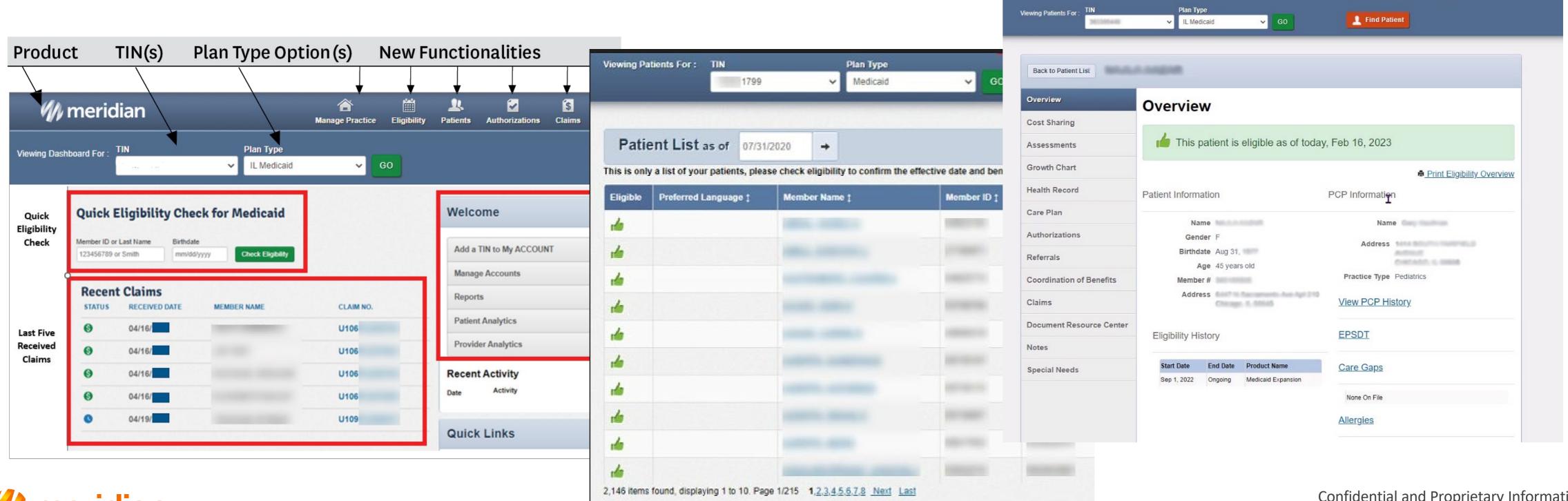
Log in to check

- From the homepage, use the Quick Eligibility Check for Medicaid tool
- Click on the *Eligibility* or *Patients* icons in the top navigation bar

Look for the green thumbs-up icon for eligibility

- Primary Care Providers (PCPs) can view their *Patient List*
- The *Overview* screen highlights individual members

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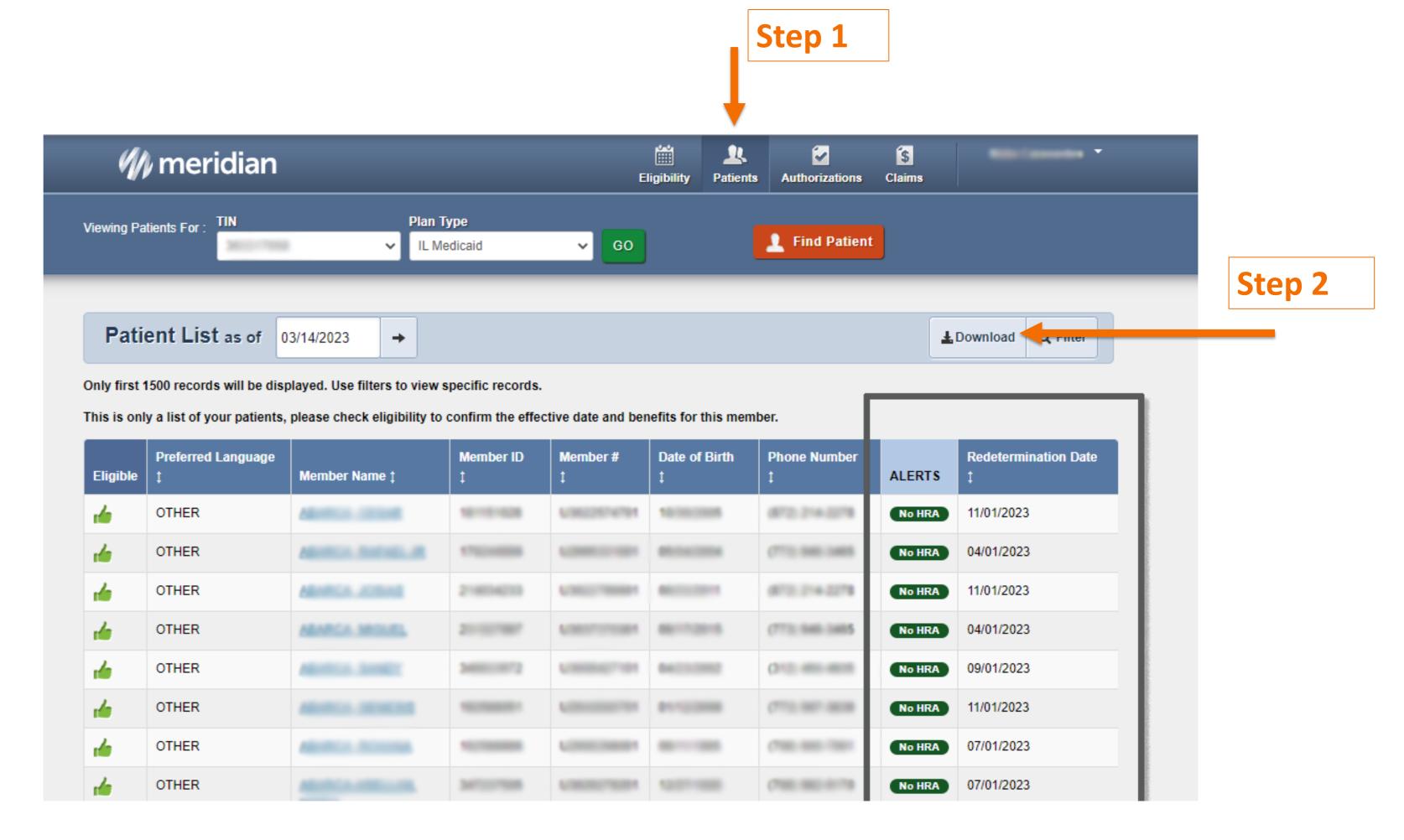




The Meridian Secure Provider Portal

Access redetermination member lists monthly using our easy-to-use secure provider portal

- Step 1: Click on "Patients" on the top navigation
- Step 2: Download your patient list and sort by the "Redetermination Date"

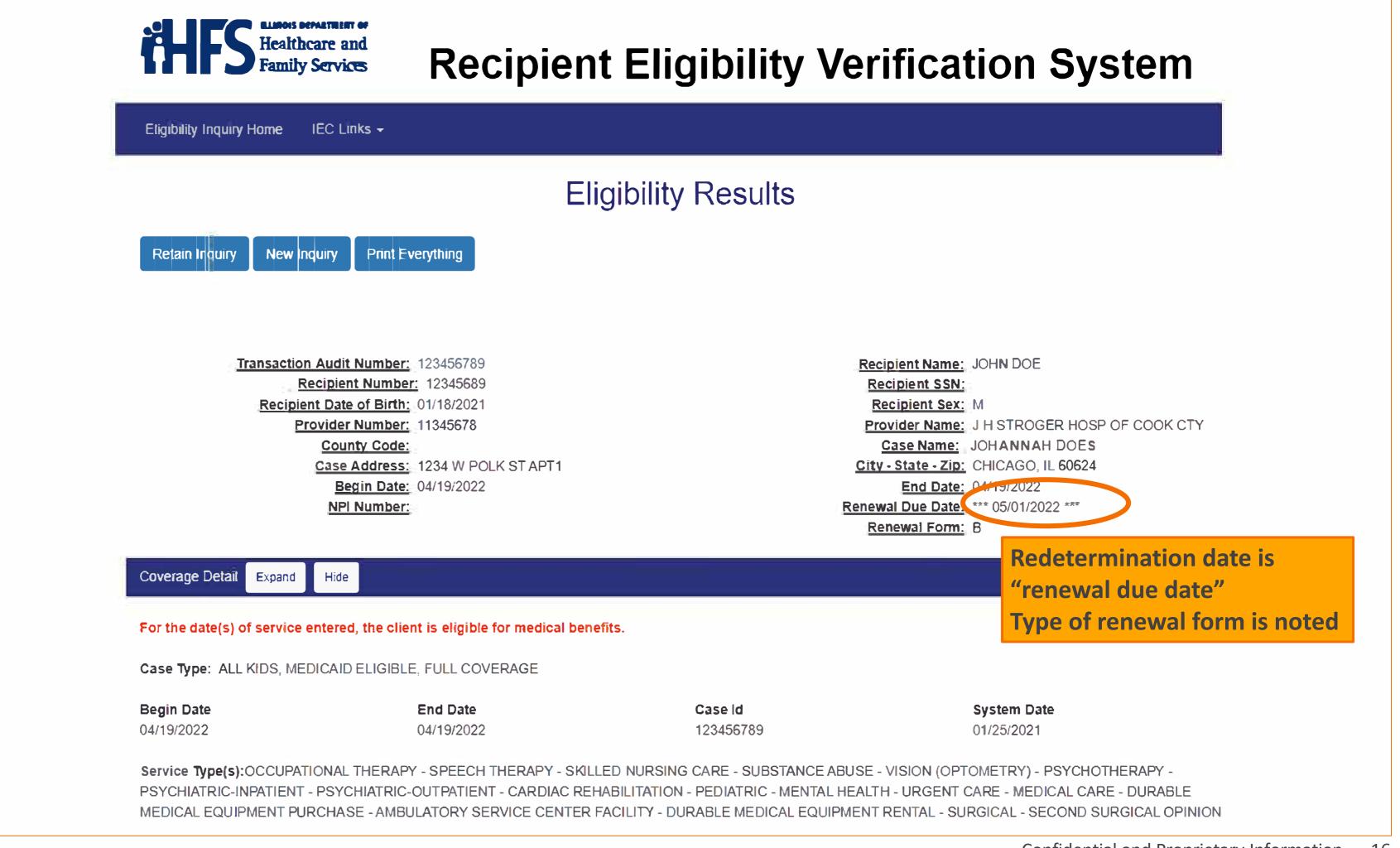




Using MEDI to Find Renewal Dates

Visit https://medi.hfs.illinois.gov/ to login into your account

- On the left side of your screen, select **Eligibility Inquiry**
- Search for your patient either by using their Recipient Number or First and Last Name, DOB and Zip Code





Four Ways Patients Can Complete Renewal Paperwork



1. Online

Visit ABE.Illinois.gov and click on Manage My Case



2. Phone

Call the DHS Call Center at 1-800-843-6154/ 1-866-324-5553 (TTY)



3. Mail

Return envelope included or fax to: **Central Scanning Office** P.O. Box 19138 Springfield, IL 62763

Fax: 1-844-736-3563



4. In Person

Visit a Department of Human Services (DHS) office.

Visit https://www.dhs.state.il.us/ for a list of Family Community Resource Centers (FCRC).

If your patients need help accessing their ABE Manage My Case account or have other questions, call HFS at 800-843-6154.



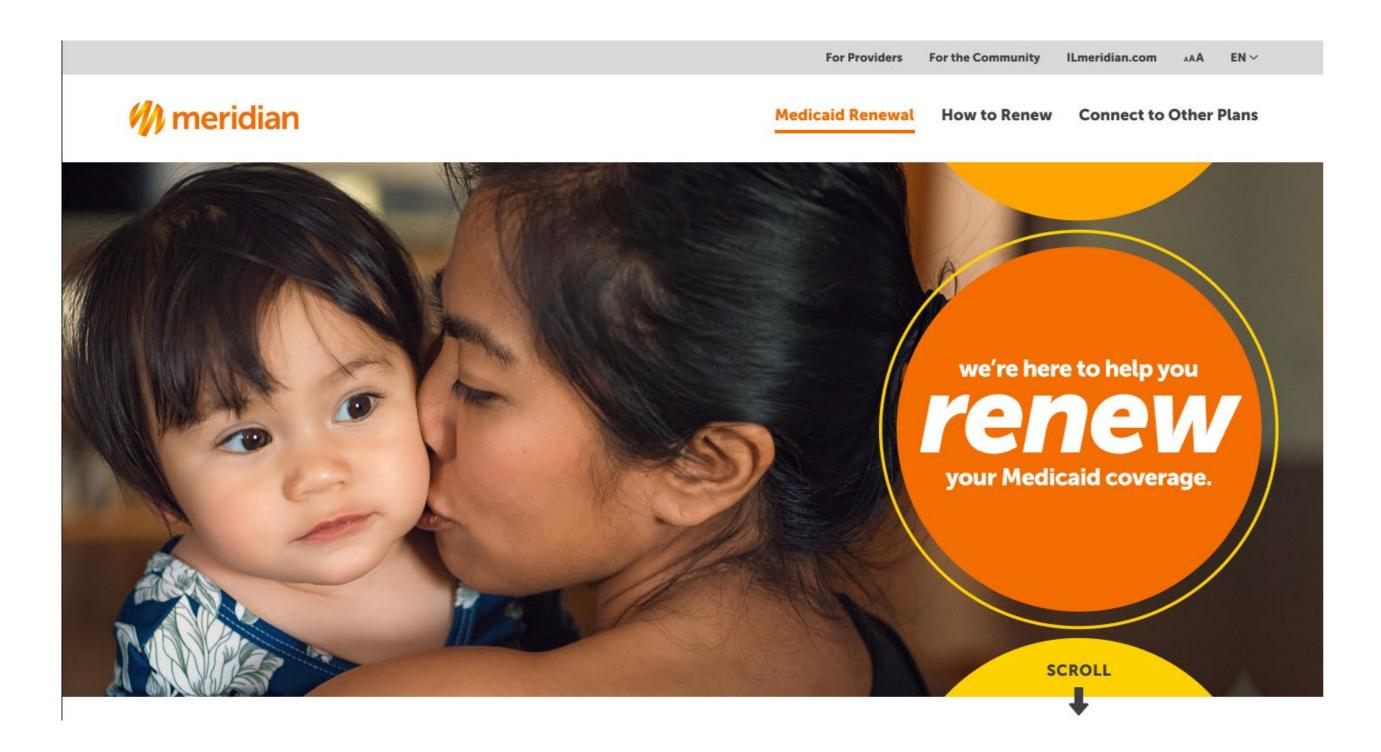
What Meridian is Doing



Meridian is Meeting Members Where They Are

Microsite

The central online hub for all Meridian redetermination communications channels.





Other channels

Smart Video

Provides real time personalized information to members.



Static Video

A step-by-step guide to complete redetermination.



Text/SMS

Texts will reach members at critical redetermination times.

Emails

Gives an overview of the redetermination process.

Mailer

Members will get a direct mailer close to their redetermination date.

Paid Social

Facebook and Instagram social platforms will drive awareness.

Paid Search

Google ads will drive awareness to Meridian members searching for redetermination info.

Display

Display banners on high traffic areas of external websites, will encourage members to complete the redetermination process.

Display Out of Home (DOOH)

Digital ads will appear in 5k+ locations, like pharmacies, subway stations, taxis, and healthcare facilities. QR codes will lead to the microsite.

Member Portal

The portal will display Medicaid renewal messages.

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Our partnership will broaden DE&I efforts to underserved Chicagoland Hispanic communities.

Building Awareness for Redetermination

Community Engagement Activities

- Partner with community-based organizations to host HFS Medicaid eligibility presentations
- Leverage Key Influencers to Educate Members: Partner with state general assembly members and local elected officials in highmembership areas to share informational materials
- Build Education and Awareness at Events: Provide approved redetermination materials at events
 - Meridian staff will wear redetermination T-shirts and buttons
- Partner with Providers and Provider Organizations: Work with key stakeholders, such as the Illinois Health and Hospital Association to offer education and awareness





Provider Relations Outreach & Education

- 1) Meridian's redetermination microsite is the main hub for all redetermination information
- 2) The Meridian Provider Relations team will educate high-volume PCPs first, including all tier 1 and tier 2 providers
- 3) FQHCs will be prioritized due their impact on Medicaid populations
- 4) Provider Relations will also:
 - Distribute the Medicaid eligibility and redetermination slide deck
 - Work with PCP associations to present the deck
 - Add as a standing agenda item on all monthly provider meetings
 - Educate providers on how and where members can update their information
 - Host monthly provider orientations that include redetermination updates and timelines



Appendix



Resources



Resources

Contact Meridian or ABE if:

- You or a patient are not clear about the renewal process and need additional help.
- A patient is unsure of when their renewal date is or if they are Form A or B.
- A patient wants to update their address or phone number with Meridian and the Medicaid office.
- A patient never received or lost their renewal paperwork from the state.



To speak to a Meridian provider representative, please call or email:

866-606-3700 (TTY: 711) ProviderHelp.IL@mhplan.com Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For questions regarding Medicaid applications & redetermination please call or visit the ABE website:

800-843-6154

https://abe.illinois.gov/- Application for Benefits Eligibility (ABE) - apply for Medicaid, SNAP, and TANF



ABE's Manage My Case



Assisting Members with Manage My Case

Manage My Case (MMC) is one of the easiest ways for Medicaid patients to submit redeterminations



MMC allows Medicaid patients to:

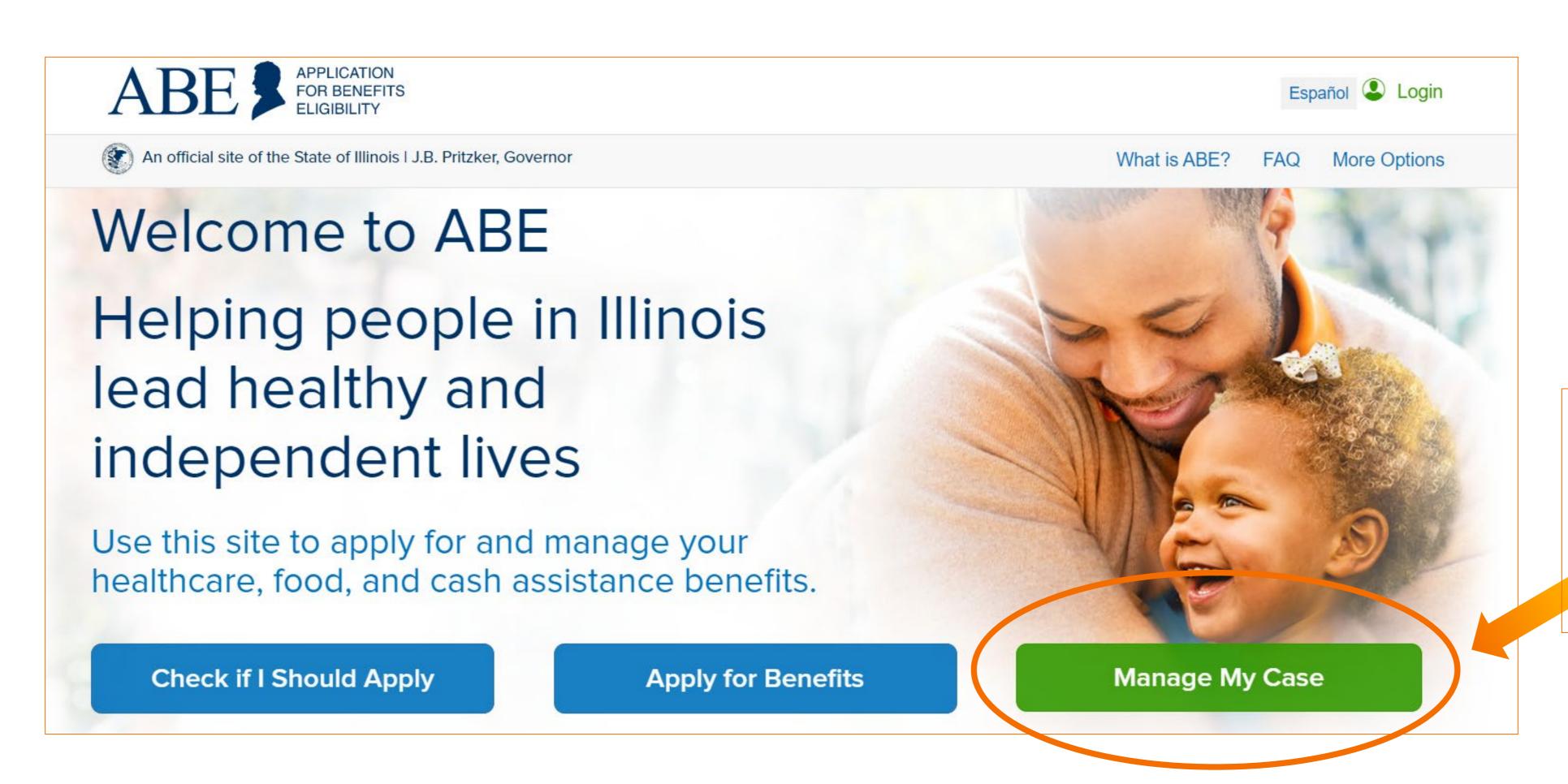
- Make fewer visits to their local DHS office
- Stay informed on the status of their benefits and manage their case information

Help patients set up their MMC accounts so they can:

- Check the status of an application
- Renew benefits
- Report changes income, household members, expenses or new address
- Upload documents
- View notices
- View and reschedule upcoming appointments
- File and manage appeals

NEW! Members can use Manage My Case to request text messaging about appointments and important due dates about benefits.



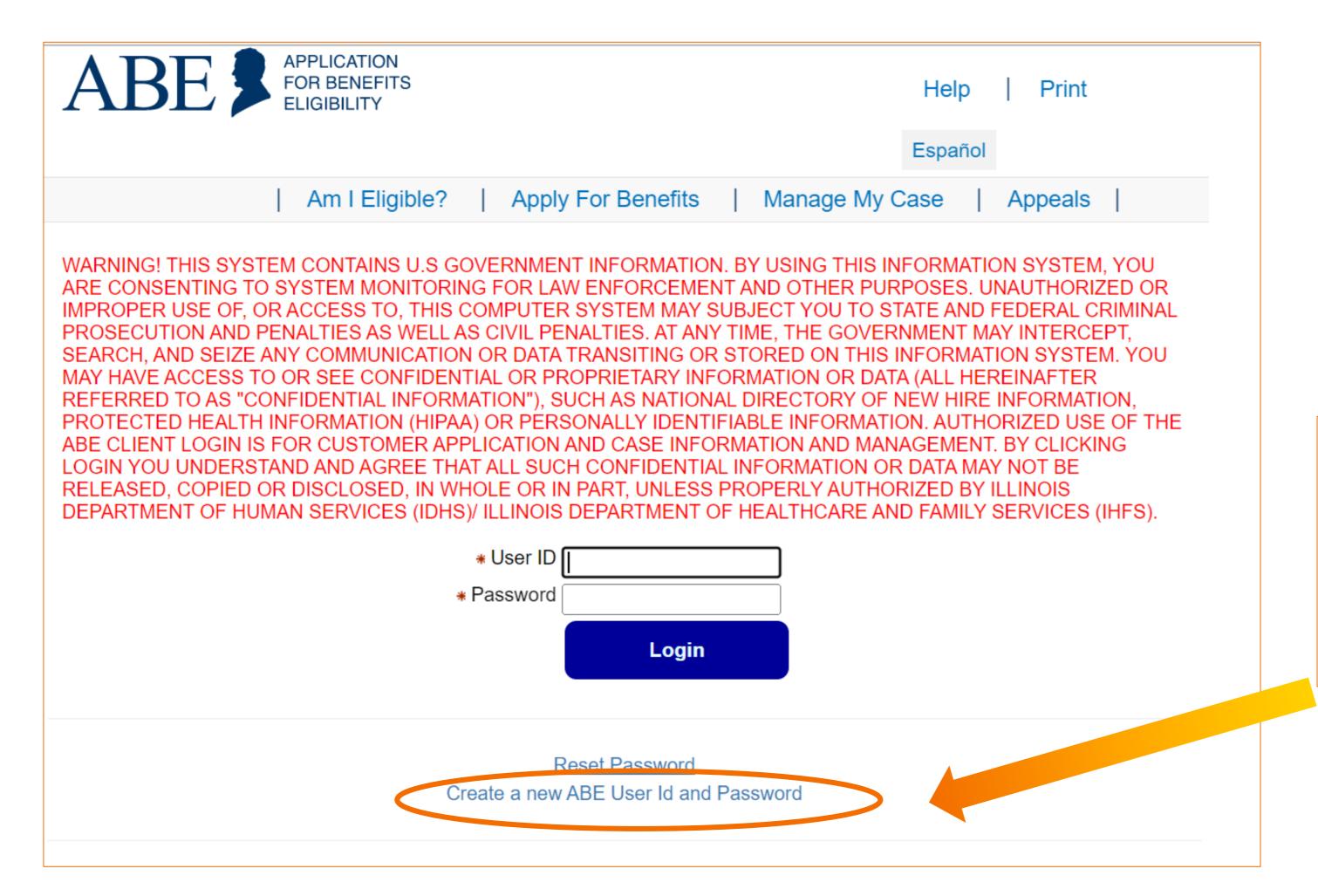


Step 1

Go to:

https://abe.illinois.gov And click on Manage My Case



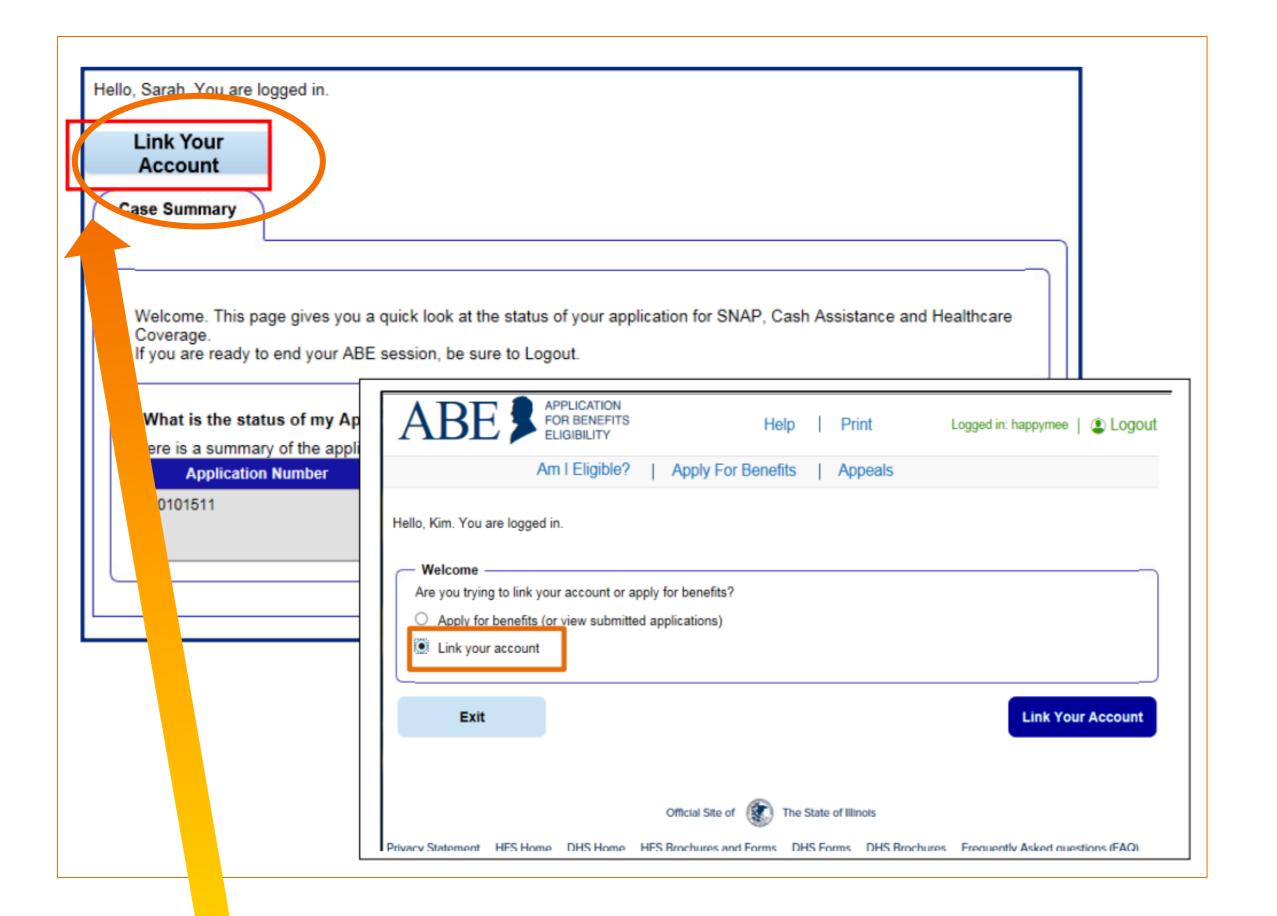


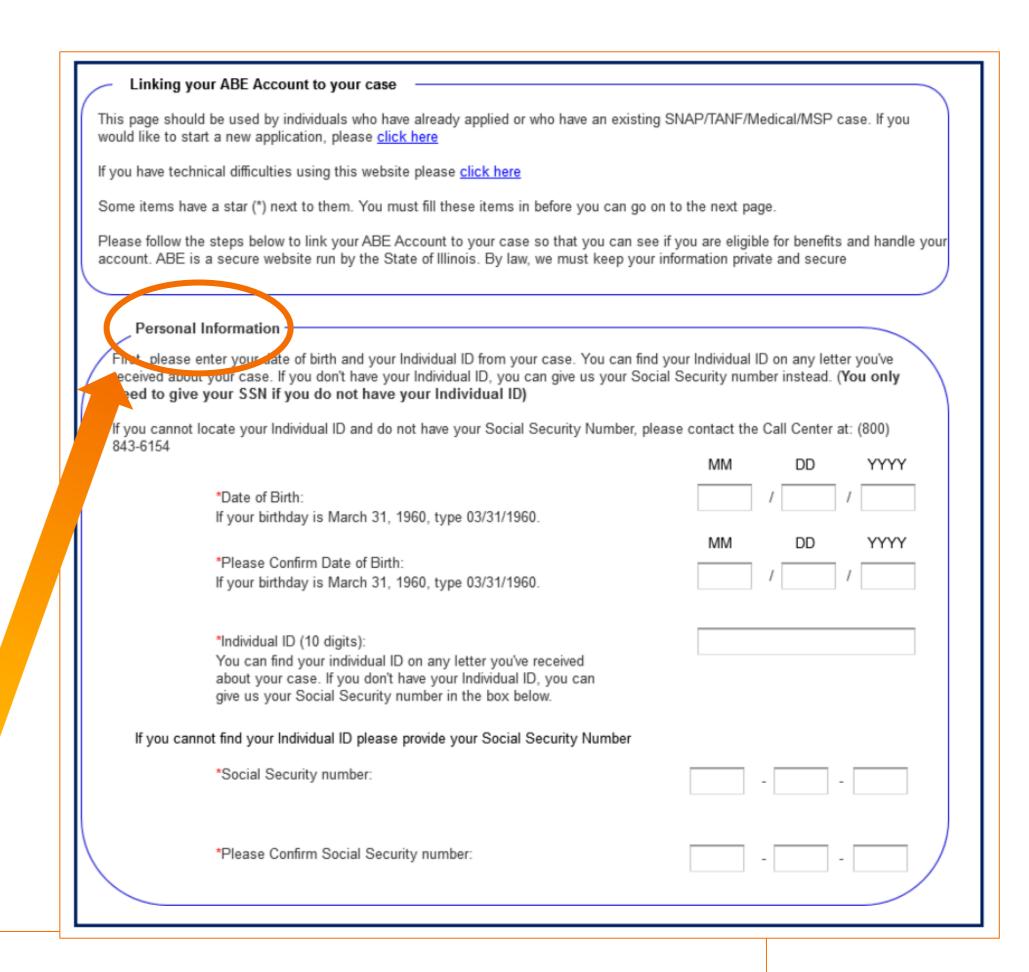
Step 2

Enter ABE User ID and Password. If the patient does not have an ABE account, click

"Create an ABE account" to register.







Step 3

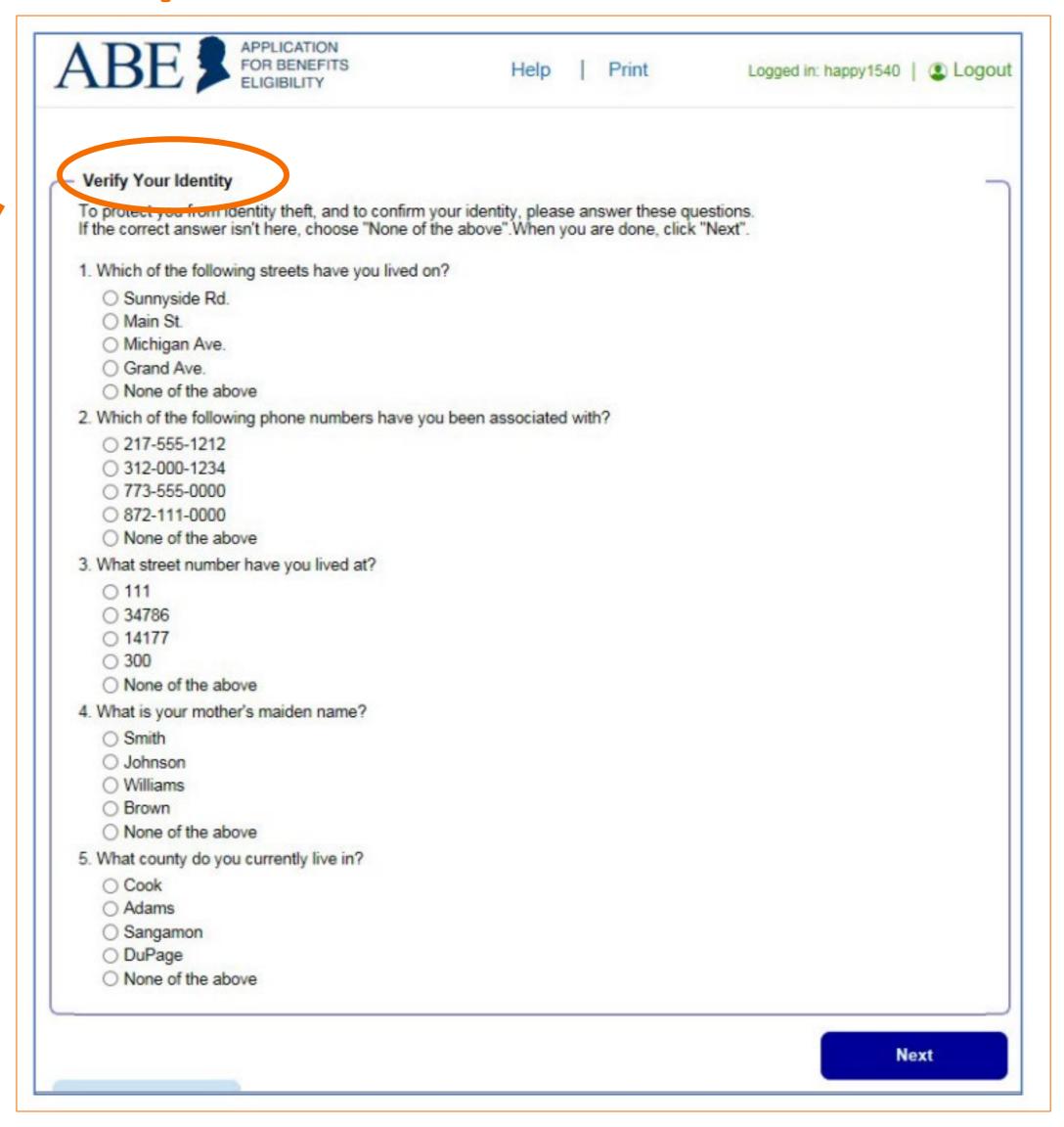
After logging in, select "Link your account" Enter date of birth, social security number or individual ID number



Step 4

Link the case to the patient's ABE account and will be asked to answer a few questions to confirm their identity.

If successful, the patient will be able to go right into MMC.





Manage My Case Steps Overview

How to Set up Manage My Case (MMC)			
Medicaid enrollees need the following to set-up MMC	 Social Security Number Established Credit History 		
Step 1	Go to http://ABE.Illinois.gov		
Step 2	Click on the Green "Manage My Case" button. Enter ABE User ID and Password. If the patient does not have an ABE account, click "Create an ABE account" to register.		
Step 3	After logging in, select "Link your account". Enter date of birth, social security number or individual ID number.		
Step 4	When you link the case to the patient's ABE Account, they will be asked to answer a few questions to confirm their identity. If successful, the patient will be able to go right into MMC		

For step-by-step instructions on how to use ABE's Manage My Case click here.





Questions?

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Thank you!

