Do you get HUSKY A as parent or caretaker of a minor child?
Will <u>you lose</u> your medical on 1/1/18? The income limits have been lowered.

Hundreds of parents/caretakers who do not have income from a job will lose HUSKY medical on 1/1/18. Thousands who do have earnings from a job will lose HUSKY a year later. You should get a DSS/ Access Health CT notice telling you if you are affected.

## WHAT TO DO NOW:

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- **1.** GET all the medical care you can NOW. Tell your providers why it is urgent.
- **2.** KEEP TAKING your children for medical care; they should not be cut off.
- 3. APPEAL in writing (ask for a hearing) before 1/1/18 to OLCRAH/DSS, 55 Farmington Ave, Hartford CT 06105 if you think the cut-off notice is mistaken for any reason, such as:
  - you have earnings from a job,
  - your income went down,
  - your family size went up,
  - you put more in your IRA,
  - AHCT is including your IRA or 401k contributions, child support received, alimony paid, workers' comp, VA benefits, TFA, or SSI in your income;
  - you should still be on HUSKY because you are disabled, age 65 or over, pregnant, or have breast or cervical cancer.

Is the monthly income AHCT counts for your household under these amounts?

IF YES, YOU SHOULD NOT BE CUT OFF!

| Household size: | Income per month: |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1               | \$1,386.90        |
| 2               | \$1,867.14        |
| 3               | \$2,348.76        |
| 4               | \$2,829.00        |
| 5               | \$3,309.24        |
| 6               | \$3,790.86        |
| 7               | \$4,271.10        |
| 8               | \$4,751.34        |

## WHAT YOU CAN DO NEXT!

- **1.** Contact Access Health CT (AHCT) to update your information in case you are still eligible for HUSKY financially. Go online to <a href="https://www.accesshealthct.com">www.accesshealthct.com</a>, or call AHCT at: 1-855-371-2428.
- **2.** Call here if you are eligible for the following HUSKY group: pregnancy (1-855-805-4325).
- **3.** The following centers can screen for breast or cervical cancer for free. If BCC cancer is first found through one of these centers, you may be put on a BCC Medicaid program if you are under age 65 and have low-income:

CDC Breast and Cervical Cancer - Qualified Facilities - December, 2017

## Why are some parents and caregivers being cut off?

Connecticut reduced the income limit for medical care for low-income parents and caretakers of minor children.

NOTE: There has been no change for the children.

| TOWN        | LOCATION                      | PHONE              |
|-------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Bridgeport  | Bridgeport Hospital           | 203-384-3392       |
| Danbury     | Western CT Health Network     | 203-791-5079       |
| Hartford    | Hartford HealthCare           | 860-972-3078       |
| Hartford    | St Francis Hospital           | 860-714-4680       |
| Manchester  | Eastern CT Health Network     | 860-872-5368       |
| Middletown  | Community Health Center       | 860-347-6971 x3658 |
| New Haven   | Yale New Haven Hospital       | 203-688-2219       |
| New Haven   | St. Rafael's Hospital         | 203-867-5436       |
| New London  | Lawrence & Memorial Hospital  | 860-442-0711 x2197 |
| Stamford    | Stamford Hospital             | 203-276-5954       |
| Torrington  | Charlotte Hungerford Hospital | 860-496-6513       |
| Waterbury   | St. Mary's Hospital           | 203-709-3812       |
| Willimantic | Windham Hospital              | 860-456-6896       |

- **4.** If you are disabled or age 65 or over, apply for HUSKY C at DSS. Call DSS at 1-855-626-6632. If you are sent the W1HUSC form, complete it and send it in. Keep a copy, and make a note of the date you get it in to DSS.
- **5. Contact AHCT to apply for a Qualified Health Plan**. Look at the DSS /AHCT notice for the <u>time limit to apply</u>. There will be premiums and other costs to pay for a QHP be sure you understand them. QHPs are private, premium-subsidized health insurance plans.
- **6. Talk to your medical providers**. Ask them about prescription drug assistance plans if you need prescription medication. Ask them to help you plan to continue your care; they can possibly arrange payment plans with you.

If you appeal your cut-off by requesting a hearing because you think DSS has made a mistake in *your* case, you can call Statewide Legal Services of Connecticut at **1-800-453-3320**. Appeal in writing directly to OLCRAH/DSS before 1/1/18. See #3 over.