

Important reminder to pay your OHP premiums

You are receiving this information because you or members of your family are still required to pay premiums for your OHP Standard health care coverage.

Because your income was above 10 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) the last time you applied for the OHP, you still must pay a premium for your health care coverage. Recent policy changes have removed the premium requirement only for clients who are at, or below, 10 percent of the FPL when they apply for OHP health care benefits.

Past-due premiums

Beginning June 1, 2006, you will not lose coverage during your **current** enrollment period just because you have a past-due premium.

However, when your enrollment period is ending and you reapply, you will need to pay all past-due premiums before you can qualify for another six months of coverage.

DHS will notify you when it is time to reapply. When you reapply, DHS will tell you if you have past-due premiums and give you a deadline to pay them by. **If you do not pay your past-due premiums by this deadline, you will not be able to enroll in OHP Standard again until:**

- The program, which has been closed since July 2004, is open to new clients. At this time, we do not have the funding to open the OHP to Standard clients, and
- You pay your past-due premiums.

Remember – Some clients do not pay premiums

You may qualify for other OHP coverage if you meet one of the following conditions. Contact your worker if you are or become:

- Pregnant.
- Under age 19.
- Eligible for Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF).
- An SSI recipient.
- Age 65 or older.
- Blind or disabled and receiving income at or below the SSI standard.
- Blind or disabled and receiving DHS-paid long term care services.

American Indian/Alaska Native clients or clients otherwise eligible for benefits through an Indian Health Services program also do not pay premiums. Contact your worker if this applies to you.

Questions?

 **If you have any questions about this notice** – call OMAP’s Client Advisory Services Unit at 1-800-273-0557, or TTY 1-800-375-2863.

 **If you need this notice in a larger print size or different format** – call your worker.

