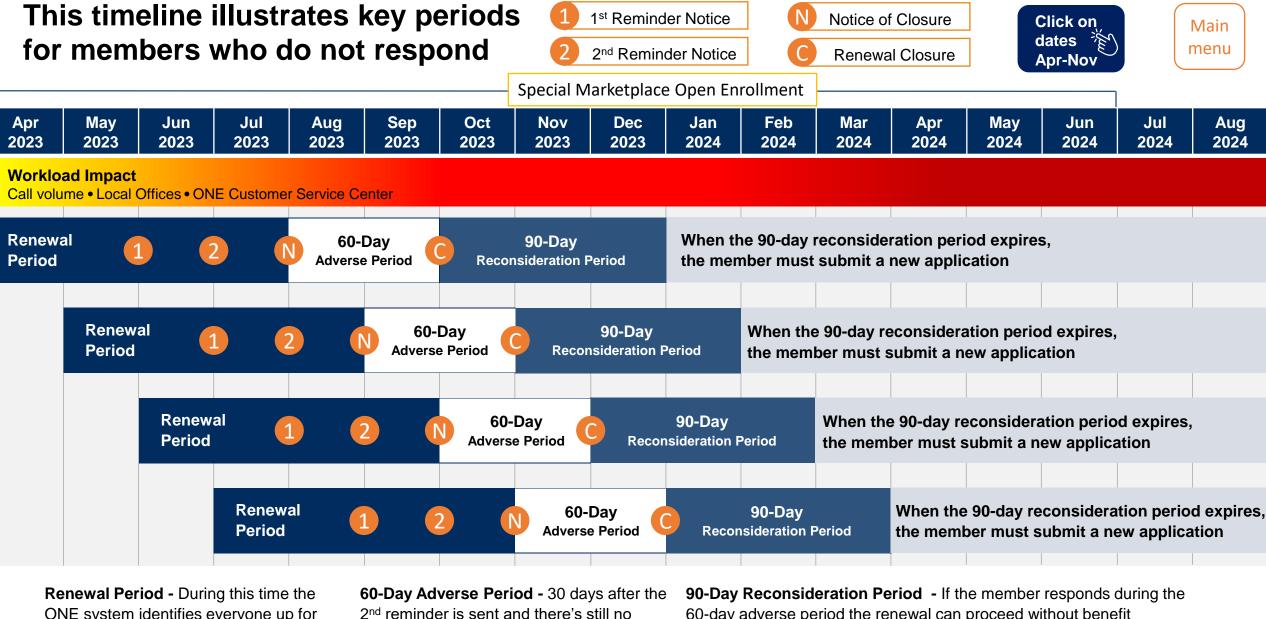


# COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) Unwinding

April 4, 2023



# **Renewals Timeline**



ONE system identifies everyone up for renewal in a given month and notices are sent to members informing them of their status and if further action is required.

**60-Day Adverse Period** - 30 days after the 2<sup>nd</sup> reminder is sent and there's still no response from the member is sent a notice of closure. The member will continue to receive benefits for an additional 60 days.

**90-Day Reconsideration Period** - If the member responds during the 60-day adverse period the renewal can proceed without benefit interruption. After the 60<sup>th</sup> day, benefits will end. The member will still have 90 days to respond and resume the renewal process. When the 90-day reconsideration period expires and new application must be submitted.

### This timeline illustrates key periods 1st Reminder Notice Notice of Closure Click on dates for members who do not respond 2<sup>nd</sup> Reminder Notice Renewal Closure Special Marketplace Open Enrollment Apr May Sep Oct Nov Dec Feb Jui Apr May Jun Aug Back 2023 2023 202 2023 2023 2023 2023 2024 2024 2024 2024 2024 2024 2024 2024 **Workload Impact** Call volume • Local Offices **Marketplace Open Enrollment** Renewal Marketplace Special Open Enrollment Period – April 1st, 2023 through June 30th, 2024 **Period** • If a member is no longer eligible for benefits, referral to the marketplace will occur so member can consider other affordable coverage options Renewal **Period** Renewal 60-Day Member must submit new application 90-Day **Period** if closed for nonresponse **Adverse Period Reconsideration Period**

60-Day

**Adverse Period** 

90-Day

**Reconsideration Period** 

Renewal Period - During this time the ONE system identifies everyone up for renewal in a given month and notices are sent to members informing them of their status and if further action is required.

Renewal

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2<sup>nd</sup> Reminder Notice

## **System Activities – April cohort**

### 4/2: First batch of medical renewals begins

- Step 1: ONE System identifies everyone up for renewal in a given month using population sequencing logic
- Step 2: those members will start through the passive renewal process until they can no longer proceed without an action (interview, additional information)
- Step 3: system connects with electronic data verification sources

This is when cases that are up for renewal are split into active or passive renewal categories depending on whether the system and electronic sources can verify eligibility.

4/8: Baseline unwinding data report due to CMS

### **Outreach Activities**

**4/9**: First daily report of members referred to the Marketplace is generated to support navigation assistance

4/16: Renewal packets begin mailing

 Due to staffing capacity, there is a ~2-3 week expected delay for mailing renewal notice packets

## Activities that impact members and recipients

4/1: Staff will begin processing verifications for new medical applications

Renewal Closure

**4/9**: The earliest date that the outcome of a <u>passive</u> renewal becomes visible in Applicant Portal (AP)

This could include:

- · Eligibility notice that benefits will continue
- Request for Information (RFI) or other activity needing action by the member
  - This is the earliest a member may respond to an RFI via AP by providing the requested information
- A closure notice
  - Closure for these members would not be effective until June 30, 60 days of continued benefits and additional 30 days to reprocess without new application in the full 90day reconsideration window from date of closure
- Member could be eligible for Temporary Medicaid Expansion

**4/16**: The earliest date that an <u>active</u> renewal will appear in Applicant Portal (AP)

- RFI's or other activity needing action by the member
- Eligibility staff will be able to process the renewal if the member calls or walks into an office

Any correspondence that populates in AP will also be mailed

# **Changes to SNAP Benefits**

# What is changing in 2023:

- The last month for SNAP Emergency Allotment food benefits was February 2023.
- Oregon started issuing retroactive Summer PEBT food benefits for children for last year on March 27, 2023.
- SNAP temporary exemptions for students of higher education will begin phasing out in June 2023.
- Work requirements will resume for SNAP recipients who meet the criteria for Ablebodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWD) status starting July 1, 2023.

# Resources

# **Communications Resources**

## **PHE Unwinding Partner Webinars**



- Register for the 10 to 11 a.m. PDT April 11 and May 9, 2023 English webinars
- Register for the 10 to 11 a.m. PDT April 20 and May 18, 2023 Spanish webinars



 Sign up for our <u>Keep Covered</u> partner newsletter about changes coming for people receiving benefits from the state.

# **Communications Resources**



Visit <u>www.oregon.gov/covid-phe-partners</u> for COVID-19 PHE information, the partner webinar schedule and past webinar recordings and presentations, and the partner communications toolkit.



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