

Medicaid Changes in Idaho: Family Guide

Key Dates

- **Sept 1, 2025:** Medicaid pays providers 4% less (Governor Little's Executive Order)
- **Oct 1, 2025:** CDA Pediatrics stops taking new Medicaid patients
- **Nov 1, 2025:** Evening & Saturday hours shortened
- **Jan 1, 2026:** Healthy Connections program ends (House Bill 345)

What This Means

- Idaho law (House Bill 345) ends Healthy Connections on Jan 1, 2026.
- Governor Little's Executive Order cuts Medicaid payments by 4% starting Sept 1, 2025.

How to Submit Public Comment on 4% Medicaid Reimbursement Cuts

On August 22, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (DHW) sent a memo to doctors who treat Medicaid patients stating that 4% reimbursement rate cuts will start on Sept. 1st. The proposed cuts still require a public comment period and final approval from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services before they can be permanently implemented.

Public comments must be received by DHW by September 26 and can be submitted in the following ways:

- **Form to complete for comments:** <https://forms.office.com/g/rikVpZJgqF>
 - **If you email, they will send you the link above:** Email: MCPT@dhw.idaho.gov
- **Phone:** (208) 364-1887 (leave recorded comments)
- **Fax:** (208) 287-1170
- **Mail:** Division of Medicaid; PO Box 83720; Boise, ID 83720-0009; Attn: Policy Team
- **Hand Deliver to IDHW Coeur d'Alene Office:**
Address: 1120 Ironwood Drive, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814
Hours: Monday–Friday, 8:00 AM–5:00 PM (closed weekends and holidays)

Learn More

- House Bill 345: [House Bill 345](#)
- Governor's Executive Orders: [Executive Order: The Idaho Act](#)

Contacts

- Idaho DHW Medicaid: 1-877-456-1233
- Local Legislators:

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Our Commitment

We will continue to care for our established Medicaid patients and will update families as changes take effect.
Thank you for your trust in us.