



ATTENTION ALL NATIVE AMERICANS

Why should I apply for Medicaid or CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program), when I have access to Lummi Tribal Health Center?

Native Americans may be eligible for both Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

Many Native Americans receive health care services at Indian Health Services (IHS) or tribally-operated facilities like Lummi Tribal Health Center. These facilities and Lummi Tribal Health Center have a limited amount of money. When services are given at tribally-operated facilities like the Lummi Tribal Health Center and the person is enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP, the tribally-operated facility (Lummi Tribal Health Center) may receive money for the cost of the services from the Medicaid or CHIP program. This money can then be used by the tribally-operated facility (Lummi Tribal Health Center) to improve their services or provide additional services.

In addition to covering services at Indian Health Services (IHS) or Lummi Tribal Health Center, Medicaid or CHIP may pay for services that are not provided by the Lummi Tribal Health Center. If you prefer, you could choose an outside provider at anytime if you have Medicaid/CHIP.

WHAT IS MEDICAID OR CHIP?

Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) are medical assistance programs available to help pay for necessary medical services people need to stay healthy. Services for Native Americans are **FREE** most of the time.

The Federal Government funding received from Indian Health Services to operate the Lummi Tribal Health Center is approximately 52% of what is actually needed. By having your child enrolled in an alternate resource such as Medicaid or CHIP, generates revenue. This generated revenue allows the Lummi Tribal Health Center to improve and expand their services.

So, "**Let's All Pull Together for Our Children's Health Care**" please help the Lummi Tribal Health Center make their Federal Government monies go further by applying for Medicaid or CHIP today!

To apply please call 384-0464 or stop in and ask to speak with **Robin Finkbonner**, Children's Health Insurance Enrollment Coordinator or **Denise Kelly**, DSHS Financial Specialist.

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