



COVID-19 Medicaid relief for Wyoming:

WHAT'S HAPPENED, WHAT'S NEXT

Federal COVID-19 relief funds have and will continue to provide critical help to Wyoming's budget and people

THE BASICS

The 2020 Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) is bringing millions of dollars to Wyoming to make sure our families can get healthcare when they need it most.

- » \$180 million to Wyoming
- » 24-month period
- » Thousands of families keep health insurance

This money comes from an increased federal contribution to Medicaid spending during the “public health emergency.”

FFCRA included a commonsense provision that Wyoming can't take away people's Medicaid coverage during the COVID-19 pandemic—a small price to pay for the huge benefits for the state.

WHAT'S NEXT

On March 10, Congress passed the new American Rescue Act. It includes funding that would bring Wyoming an additional \$120 million over the course of two years. This funding becomes available to Wyoming if the state extends Medicaid coverage to low-income residents.

THE BOTTOM LINE

Federal FFCRA funding has been critical for Wyoming's budget and healthcare over the past year. We have the opportunity to bring even more revenue to the state if we update our Medicaid program.