Are you eligible for Medicaid Benefits in Florida?

If you are seeking guidance on how to begin the Medicaid process, **contact Laura Cassell** – she can provide **Elite Eldercare Consulting** services to support your Medicaid needs, questions and concerns. *Eldercare Consulting fees may apply.



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For long-term care services provided at home called **Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)**, adult care homes, and in assisted living residences there's a managed care system allowing program participants to receive all Medicaid benefits from one administering agency. The managed care program limits the number of participants, which means a waiting list is common for some services for people who meet the eligibility requirements.

- 1. Contact the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF)
 - a. 1-866-762-2237 and ask for a paper application to be sent OR
 - b. www.myflorida.com/accessfl/ and fill out the online eligibility application
- 2. Schedule Interview with the Department of Elder Affairs (DOEA)
 - a. The DOEA will determine based on the interview/assessment with the individual needing the Medicaid benefit, how much care required/day
- 3. Call the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care Office
 - a. 1-877-711-3662 and discuss application and eligibility
 - b. Visit: https://www.flmedicaidmanagedcare.com/ for more information
- 4. Ensure Assisted Living Facility Benefits are in place for the person needing the Medicaid benefit assigned to the Long-Term Care (LTC) Benefit
 - a. **Long-Term Care (LTC):** Provides Medicaid LTC services like care in a nursing facility, assisted living, or at home.
 - i. https://www.flmedicaidmanagedcare.com/health/comparehealth plans



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