Can Anyone Join?

You can’t enroll in ADAP Plus if you make more that $44,000 a year as an individual (this amount increases for additional household members). And you can’t have more that $25,000 in liquid assets (such as savings).

What if I am Eligible for Medicaid?

If you are eligible for Medicaid, you should join Medicaid instead of ADAP Plus. Medicaid covers more medications and medical services. ADAP Plus will cover you until you get your Medicaid approved. If you have a Medicaid spenddown or surplus, ADAP Plus can help pay this cost.

For more information - Call the program’s toll-free hotline at 1-800-542-2437, or write to:
ADAP Plus
Empire Station
P.O. Box 2052
Albany NY 12220-0052

ADAP Plus is a partnership program supported by New York State, and the New York City, Long Island, Lower Hudson and Dutchess County regions.

ADAP Plus
ADAP (Drug), Primary Care, Home Care & Health Insurance Continuation

Medical Care for People with HIV

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If you are HIV-positive, you need to know about ADAP Plus. ADAP Plus is a program that helps HIV-positive people get medications, medical care and home care that they need - and it’s FREE.

ADAP Plus pays for care for HIV-positive people who can’t get Medicaid, or who are waiting for Medicaid approval. If you have limited health insurance, ADAP Plus might help fill the gaps in your coverage.

If you lose your job or cannot afford your health insurance, ADAP Plus may be able to pay to continue your health insurance.

State of New York
George E. Pataki, Governor

Department of Health
Antonia C. Novello, M.D., M.P.H., Dr.P.H., Commissioner
Who Is Eligible?

To join ADAP Plus, you must:

- be HIV-positive (for home care you must be chronically medically dependent)
- live in New York State
- meet program income guidelines
- have little or no health insurance OR have good health insurance but cannot afford to pay to keep it

Teenagers who can’t use their parents’ money or insurance ARE eligible for ADAP Plus.

What Services Are Covered?

ADAP Plus wants to help HIV-positive people stay healthy.

ADAP Plus has 4 programs:

1. ADAP (Drugs)
   - pays for medications to treat HIV and associated infections & illnesses.

2. Primary Care
   - pays for medical exams, disease monitoring, dental & eye care, women’s health and most other outpatient services.

3. Home Care
   - pays for home health aides, skilled nursing, homemakers and medical equipment.

4. Health Insurance Continuation
   - Pays to keep your health insurance if you lose your job or if you cannot afford to pay for your insurance.

How Do I Enroll?

You can get an application and help by calling the ADAP Plus free hotline 1-800-542-2437 (TDD 1-518-459-0121) Relay Operator 1-800-421-1240. Many hospitals, clinics and HIV service agencies also have copies of the application, and staff to help you complete it. One application form is needed for all four programs. A doctor must fill out a Medical Application to confirm your HIV status. You must provide proof of NYS residency, income and assets. Additional forms are needed to get Home Care services or health insurance continuation.

How Do I Obtain Services?

If you are eligible, a Medical Card will be sent to you to use for medical care and/or medications from an enrolled health care provider or pharmacy.

COVERED SERVICES ARE PROVIDED FREE.

Hotline staff will tell you which hospitals, clinics, doctors, home care agencies and pharmacies are enrolled in your area. You must get care from providers who are enrolled in ADAP Plus.

If you are eligible for health insurance continuation, you may still get care from the health care providers that are enrolled in your health insurance program.

All HIV-related information is kept strictly confidential.