

FAMIS: Virginia's Health Insurance Program for Children

Protection Your Children Deserve at a Price You Can Afford

1. What are FAMIS and FAMIS Plus?

FAMIS is Virginia's health insurance program for children. It provides access to quality health services for children who do not have health insurance.

FAMIS Plus is Virginia's name for children's Medicaid. FAMIS Plus also provides great benefits and covers children in families with low or no income, even if the children are covered by health insurance.

When you apply for coverage, your children will be considered for both FAMIS and FAMIS Plus.

2. What's Covered?

FAMIS and FAMIS Plus cover your children for:

- Doctor visits
- Hospital and emergency care
- Well-child and well-baby checkups
- Shots
- Prescriptions
- Tests and x-rays
- Vision and dental care
- Mental health care
- And more....

There are no monthly or yearly costs to your family with FAMIS or FAMIS Plus. For children enrolled in FAMIS only, there are small co-payments (\$2 or \$5) for certain medical care.



3. Who Qualifies?

Children may be eligible for FAMIS or FAMIS Plus if they:

- Live in Virginia
- Are under age 19
- Are U.S. citizens (some non-citizens also qualify). A parent's citizenship is not considered
- Meet certain income criteria (see below)

FAMIS Income Limit (Gross)*

Family Size	Monthly	Yearly
1	\$1,805	\$21,660
2	\$2,429	\$29,140
3	\$3,052	\$36,620
4	\$3,675	\$44,100
5	\$4,299	\$51,580

*Effective January 23, 2009. Income limits are adjusted annually. Call for additional guidelines.

Immigrant families with enrolled children will not be labeled a public charge. Receiving FAMIS or FAMIS Plus will not affect a families' ability to obtain U.S. citizenship.

4. How do I apply?

Applying for FAMIS and FAMIS Plus is quick and easy. Just call toll-free 1-866-87FAMIS (1-866-873-2647). Interpreters are available. Our representatives will connect you with someone who speaks your preferred language. Or, log onto www.famis.org to Apply Online! You may also apply at your local Department of Social Services.

All completed applications must include one month's proof of income (for the most recent month) and proof of the children's immigration status if the children are not U.S. citizens. If your child qualifies for FAMIS Plus and is a U.S. citizen, you will also be asked to provide proof of U.S. citizenship and identity. Call FAMIS for help.