

Health Insurance Coverage For Children Age 22-26

1. Under the Affordable Care Act, (ACA), Public Law 111-148, effective January 1, 2011, children are eligible for coverage under their parent's Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Self and Family enrollment until age 26. If you currently have a self and family enrollment your child will automatically be covered beginning January 1, 2011.
2. You may receive a letter from your carrier with specific instructions for including children age 22-26. If you don't receive a letter, review the carrier's Web site or call the carrier for additional information. Generally, you must provide the name of the child, date of birth, and social security number as well as information about other health insurance coverage the child may have.
3. If you currently have a self only enrollment or are not enrolled, and did not make an election during the Benefits Open Season you can elect a self and family enrollment as a Change in Family Status Qualifying Life Event (QLE) during the period December 1, 2010 - March 1, 2011 by calling the Benefits Line. The enrollment change to self and family will be effective December 19, 2010. The child's health insurance coverage will be effective January 1, 2011.
4. If you have a question about FEHB call the Benefits Line at 888-320-2917 and select menu option #4 to talk to a Customer Service Representative (CSR). CSRs are available 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays. The TTY number for the deaf and hard of hearing is 866-328-9889. If you are not able to contact the Benefits Line via the toll free number due to your location, you may contact them by email at info@navybenefits.org.