Estate Recovery Guidance for Healthy Connections Prime Members



If you are a member of Healthy Connections Prime, the medical expenses that you receive while in Healthy Connections Prime are <u>NOT</u> subject to estate recovery. Please read below to learn more.

What is estate recovery?

Estate recovery is a program required by federal law that allows your health care program or plan to recover funds from your estate for services you receive in a nursing facility and for home and community-based services.

Does estate recovery affect Healthy Connections Prime members?

- NO. Any services or items you receive while in Healthy Connections Prime are NOT subject to estate
 recovery. Neither the State of South Carolina nor your Medicare-Medicaid Plan (MMP) can recover
 money against your estate while you are enrolled in Healthy Connections Prime. This includes nonmedical services or items such as Medicaid-sponsored nursing facility services or home and
 community-based services you may receive while on a Community and Long Term Care (CLTC)
 waiver.
- However, expenses for such services and items received while **NOT enrolled** in Healthy Connections Prime may be recovered.



For More Information

For more information about how estate recovery may impact you and your family, contact your MMP Care Coordinator (you should have received a letter with the Care Coordinator's contact information). You can also call your MMP's Member Services line (the number is in the back of your member ID card). Please note that there are three Healthy Connections Prime MMPs: Wellcare Prime by Absolute Total Care, First Choice VIP Care Plus and Molina Dual Options.

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