Help us help you!

Please bring your Medicare, Medicaid and/or private insurance card with you on every visit.







Get all the benefits you are entitled to.

Sign up now to get these services for you and your family.



If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact: Rapid City Indian Health Service

Business Office 3200 Canyon Lake Drive Rapid City, SD 57702 605-355-2500

Patient Benefit Coordinator 605-355-2422 Patient Benefit Coordinator 605-355-2455



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What my Service Unit PBC can help me with!

Do you need help applying for Medicaid,

Medicare, Disability and/or SSI?

Do you need help with understanding your private health insurance benefits?

Do you understand your Explanation of Benefits (EOB's)?

Do you need a new Medicare, Medicaid, or Part D card?

Do you need help looking for assistance to pay for your prescriptions or Medicare Part D?

Do you need help signing up or have questions about the ACA?

Do you need or understand a Creditable Coverage Letter?

Do you need to your Primary Care Provider (PCP) to Rapid City I.H.S?

Do you need help getting information on how to obtain your birth certificate?

Do you need help with tribal enrollment?

Do you know if you have VA medical benefits?



AFFORDABLE CARE ACT (ACA)

is another way for Native Americans/Alaskan Natives to get access to "affordable healthcare". There are four options to sign up:

- Go to Healthcare.gov (you need a email account for this option)
- 2. Call 1-800-318-2596 TTY users call 1-855-889-4325
- 3. Contact your local PBC



Alternate Resources

Medical Benefits for Children and Families, CHIPS (Medicaid)

Is a state-run program based on family income.

Low Income Families (LIF) covers families with or without private health insurance.

The Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) program is provided at no cost to reduce the number of uninsured children in South Dakota.

Pregnancy Coverage medical coverage for pregnancy related services only.

A person can have both Medicare and Medicaid. And your child may be eligible for Medicaid, even if you are not.

Medicare

Is the federal (national) health insurance program for Americans age 65 and older and for certain disabled Americans. Medicare has two parts: hospital known as Part A, and supplementary medical known as Part B, which provides payments for doctors and related services and supplies ordered by the doctor. If you are eligible for Medicare, Part A is free, Part B you must pay a premium. Part C is a Medicare Advantage Plan, you must pick a provider with this plan. Part D is the prescription drug coverage that help pay for medications.

Disability

To be found disabled you must be unable to do any substantial work because of your medical condition (s), and your medical condition (s) must have lasted, or be expected to last, at least one year, or be expected to result in your death.

Veteran's Benefits

If you are a former member of the United States armed services, you may be eligible for medical care as part of your veteran's benefits. How to apply: Online-https://www.1010ez.med.va.gov/ or call 1-877-222-VETS (8387) or your PBC can assist.

Private Insurance

If you are covered by private health insurance (Blue Cross/Blue Shield, GEHA, etc.) you will be asked for information about your insurance company such as:

- The insurance company's name, group name and group number.
- The policy number.
- The name of the person from whom the policy was issued (subscriber), date of birth and employer.

You will be asked to sign a consent form that will allow us to bill that insurance company, this must be done once a year.

Purchase/Referred Care (PRC) Formerly Contract Health Service (CHS)

Is not an entitlement. PRC coverage is for Priority I (Emergent, life threatening situations) only. PRC will not pay for a visit if an I H S facility is available. PRC is payer of last resort and the patient must exhaust all alternate resources. To be eligible for PRC you must be enrolled in a federally recognized tribe or a descendant of an enrolled member (documentation required) and live in Pennington County. You must be able to show proof of residency (POR).

When you sign up, Rapid City IHS can bill Medicare, Medicaid, and/or Private Insurance for services provided. When these programs pay for your health care, you help bring additional resources to our Service Unit now and in the future.