

Overview of the Shared Application and Eligibility Process for Assistance Sites

Shared Application and Eligibility Process

The Shared Application and Eligibility Process is a system enhancement of PEAK and CBMS that will capture information and determine eligibility for Medical Assistance (MA), Advanced Premium Tax Credit (APTC) and Cost Sharing Reduction (CSR). CBMS will determine eligibility for Medical Assistance and in situations where the client is not eligible, the eligibility information will be used to determine APTC and CSR eligibility.

The SES is not a system that is seen by users. Shared Application and Eligibility Process are the enhancements to the eligibility system that runs "behind the scenes" when the PEAK User applies for Medical Assistance only.

Key Features of the Shared Application and Eligibility Process

Account Access

- Applicants and clients will be able to add and designate individuals or agencies to their application to act on their behalf.
- Account access types for a Medical Assistance application include:
 - Primary Account holder Primary applicant
 - Secondary Account holder A specific person designated by the Primary Account holder that is listed on the application
 - Broker Broker identified by the primary account holder, if applicable
 - Authorized Representative Individual designated by the Primary Account holder who has legal right to act on behalf of the applicant and household

Single Sign On

- o A single sign on functionality will allow applicants and clients to log in to their account using their PEAK or Connect for Health Colorado login credentials.
- Applicants and clients will be able to use their Connect for Health Colorado login to sign in to PEAK to check the status of their submitted Medical Assistance application.

Single, Shared Application

- Applicants and clients will be able to apply for Medical Assistance benefits with one application process and be determined for Medicaid, Child Health Plan *Plus* (CHP+) or financial assistance to purchase private insurance through the Connect for Health Colorado marketplace. This means applicants will only need to complete one set of questions.
- Applicants will also receive joint letters regarding what program they may qualify.
- o If necessary, applicants will receive separate verification checklists that are customized to the program they may qualify for.



Real-Time Eligibility Decisions

- o Real-time eligibility decisions will continue.
- Applicants who complete their online application for Medical Assistance completely and accurately may find out *immediately* if they qualify for Medicaid, CHP+, APTC, or CSR.
- Those who qualify for APTC or CSR will be directed to shop for a plan at Connect for Health Colorado.

More Information

For more information on the Shared Application and Eligibility Process please participate in one of the numerous trainings for PEAK Users. Training information for PEAK Users can be found at: tinyurl.com/peakoutreach.