

MA EXPANSION FLYER 11/6/14

# HEALTHY PENNSYLVANIA AND PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS

The *Healthy Pennsylvania* reforms drastically alter Medicaid and will affect all Pennsylvanian recipients. The reform both expands Medicaid to cover adults earning under 138% of the Federal Poverty Line (FPL) AND overhauls the current system. Complete *Healthy Pennsylvania* details have not yet been announced and the information in this flyer is subject to change.

### New Benefits Packages

Effective January 1, 2015, all Medicaid enrollees, whether newly or traditionally eligible, will be enrolled into one of three benefits packages. The current *Healthy Pennsylvania* proposal assigns any person living with HIV/AIDS to the *Healthy Plus* package (formerly called High-Risk). Benefits package details have not yet been announced, but it is expected that the *Healthy Plus* package will provide the most generous coverage and the *Healthy PA PCO* plan will provide the least.

# Healthy Plus (High-Risk)

- A modification of the nowexisting Medicaid benefits package. Reductions are expected, but coverage will not be as limited as the low-risk plan.
- ALL people living with HIV/AIDS should receive the high-risk benefits package, regardless of whether they are traditionally eligible or newly eligible as they are by definition considered "medically frail."

## Healthy (Low-Risk)

- A modification of the now existing Medicaid benefits package. Drastic reductions in current coverage are expected.
- Only for traditionally eligible Medicaid enrollees. Not available for those eligible under the expansion.

### Healthy PA PCO (Essential Health Benefits)

- Benefits under this package are defined by the ACA and include the minimum essential health benefits a health plan must offer to participate in the healthcare.gov Exchange.
- All newly eligible Medicaid enrollees are assigned this package, unless "medically frail."
- Starting in 2016, nonemergency medical transportation will be covered and individuals earning more than 100% FPL may be charged a premium.

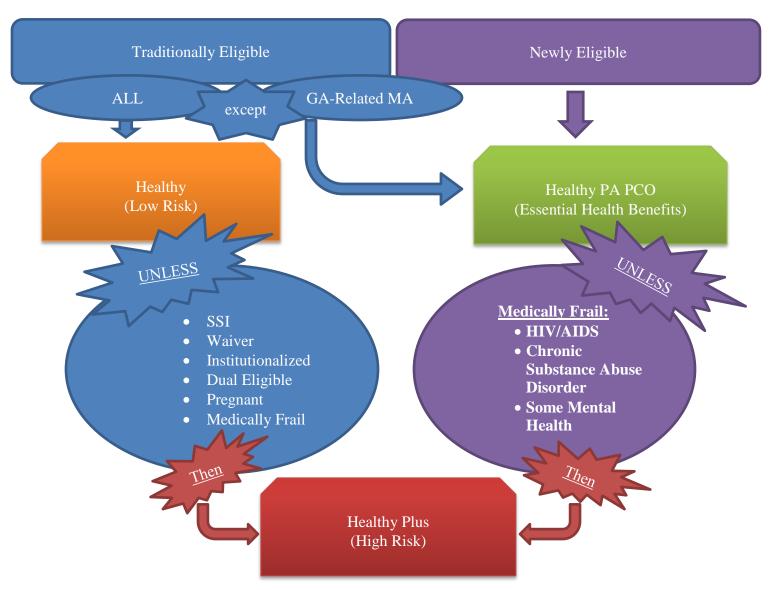
#### **The Sorting Process**

#### **Traditionally Eligible**

Most traditionally eligible enrollees will be assigned either to the *Healthy Plus* or the *Healthy* benefits package. This includes people receiving Medicaid through SSI, Health Horizons, MAWD, and TANF. GA-related Medicaid recipients will be assigned to either the *Healthy Plus* or *Healthy PA PCO* benefits package. All people living with HIV/AIDS, according to the *Healthy Pennsylvania* proposal, should be enrolled in the *Healthy Plus* benefits package.

#### **Newly Eligible**

Newly eligible Medicaid recipients will be enrolled into the *Healthy PA PCO* benefits package unless "medically frail." Medically frail individuals will be enrolled in a Healthy Plus package. *Healthy Pennsylvania's* proposed definition of medically frail includes people living with HIV/AIDS.



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