

# Update 1: Memo CV-03

## Temporary Changes to Washington Apple (Medicaid) Eligibility

In the memo CV-03, with the passage of the federal CARES Act, we advised that we would suspend the closure of coverage for most Apple Health (Medicaid) recipients.

Coverage is reinstated for any Apple Health recipient when coverage was closed on or after 3/18/2020 unless the individual has:

1. Requested closure;
2. Is no longer a Washington state resident; or
3. Deceased.

Please note, this does not include all individuals with a paid through date of 3/31/2020; only cases closed from coverage on or after 3/18/2020. For example, staff action to close a case on 3/4/2020, results in coverage for the client ending 3/31/2020. This case would not be reinstated because closure action happened before 3/18/2020.

The Office of Medicaid Eligibility Policy (OMEP) will monitor reports weekly to identify closed cases and will share reports of cases needing reinstatement with each business area. Cases will be tracked and additional information about clean-up efforts will be coming in the near future.

If you have any questions about this additional guidance, please contact [AHeligCovid19@hca.wa.gov](mailto:AHeligCovid19@hca.wa.gov).

