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## New York State Essential Plan Coverage Expansion

MVP Health Care® (MVP) appreciates the work that you do to support our Members and is committed to keeping you informed. We are excited to support the following changes that will benefit many of our Members – your patients.

To increase access to high quality, affordable health care, the New York State of Health has expanded Essential Plan (EP) health insurance coverage for low and moderate-income individuals. The expansion went into effect on April 1, 2024, and now allows for the enrollment of New Yorkers with incomes up to 250% of the Federal Poverty Level to the U.S. Departments of Health and Human Services and Treasury. As part of our commitment to building healthier communities, MVP celebrates this commitment by the state and is participating in this effort to reduce the barriers to health care as a certified Essential Plan issuer.

**Some of your patients may have transitioned from a Qualified Health Plan (QHP) to the expanded Essential Plan on April 1, 2024. Below are some things to keep in mind:**

- Always verify Member eligibility by requesting to see their new ID cards, or verify through Interactive Voice Response (IVR) Self-Service prior to the service and billing, or via your MVP Provider Online Account
- For MVP QHP Members that have approved authorizations for services, MVP has transitioned those decisions to their new EP account, requiring no new action on your part

If you are a Provider who does not participate with MVP's Essential Health Plans, Members who transition from QHP to EP may be allowed to continue in your care for up to 90 days, or if pregnant, for the duration of the pregnancy that includes post-partum care directly related to delivery. To find out more about the NYS Essential Plan expansion, visit [info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/1332](https://info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/1332).

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