

## New income guidelines take effect with your July coverage

Each spring, the federal government publishes new income guidelines. These guidelines are used to determine eligibility and monthly premiums for Basic Health. **In May, you will receive your July bill for coverage, which may show a new monthly premium.**

Any time your income or family size changes, Basic Health will determine whether it changes your "income band," as shown on the table below. If you move to a different income band, your premium will change. Be sure to tell Basic Health about any changes to your income or family size whenever they happen.

<b>Income Table</b>								
Number of Persons in Family								
Gross Monthly Income	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Income Band
	\$0 – \$563.33	\$0 – \$758.33	\$0 – \$953.33	\$0 – \$1,148.33	\$0 – \$1,343.33	\$0 – \$1,538.33	\$0 – \$1,733.33	A
	563.34 – 866.66	758.34 – 1,166.66	953.34 – 1,466.66	1,148.34 – 1,766.66	1,343.34 – 2,066.66	1,538.34 – 2,366.66	1,733.34 – 2,666.66	B
	866.67 – 1,083.33	1,166.67 – 1,458.33	1,466.67 – 1,833.33	1,766.67 – 2,208.33	2,066.67 – 2,583.33	2,366.67 – 2,958.33	2,666.67 – 3,333.33	C
	1,083.34 – 1,213.33	1,458.34 – 1,633.33	1,833.34 – 2,053.33	2,208.34 – 2,473.33	2,583.34 – 2,893.33	2,958.34 – 3,313.33	3,333.34 – 3,733.33	D
	1,213.34 – 1,343.33	1,633.34 – 1,808.33	2,053.34 – 2,273.33	2,473.34 – 2,738.33	2,893.34 – 3,203.33	3,313.34 – 3,668.33	3,733.34 – 4,133.33	E
	1,343.34 – 1,473.33	1,808.34 – 1,983.33	2,273.34 – 2,493.33	2,738.34 – 3,003.33	3,203.34 – 3,513.33	3,668.34 – 4,023.33	4,133.34 – 4,533.33	F
	1,473.34 – 1,603.33	1,983.34 – 2,158.33	2,493.34 – 2,713.33	3,003.34 – 3,268.33	3,513.34 – 3,823.33	4,023.34 – 4,378.33	4,533.34 – 4,933.33	G
	1,603.34 – 1,733.41	2,158.34 – 2,333.44	2,713.34 – 2,933.47	3,268.34 – 3,533.50	3,823.34 – 4,133.53	4,378.34 – 4,733.56	4,933.34 – 5,333.59	H

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# Recertification and tax returns

Be prepared for your next recertification. At least once a year, Basic Health will check to make sure you still qualify for the program, and what your monthly premium will be.

By law, Basic Health is required to verify your income and residence at least once per year. At that time, you must provide:

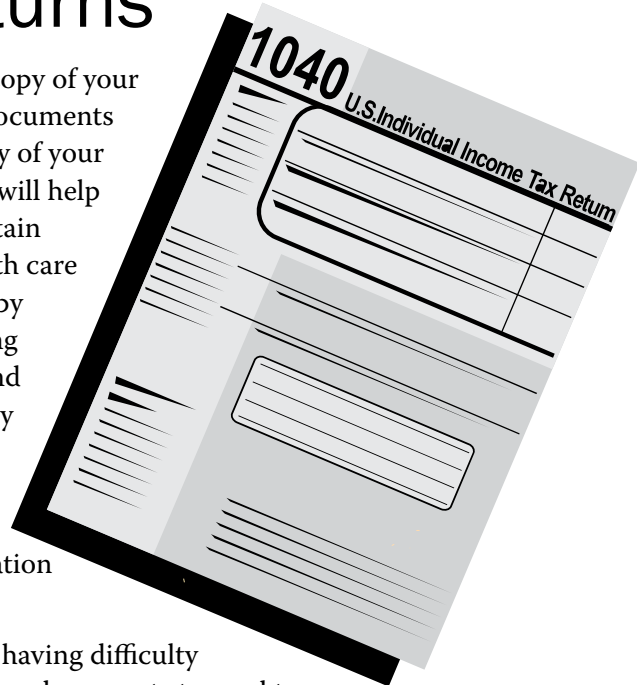
- A copy of your most recent IRS 1040 with all schedules.
- Proof of all income received in the past 30 days.
- Proof of your street address in Washington State.
- A signed recertification form.

When filing your 2007 tax return (1040), keep a copy of your return along with a K-1, if you receive one, and all schedules. We will require a copy of your 2007 1040 tax form after April 15, 2008. If you do not file taxes, you will need to contact the IRS for verification of nonfiling at 1-800-829-1040.

If you are receiving Social Security benefits, keep a copy of the letter you received in December, showing your 2008 benefit amount. If receiving benefits from any other source, keep all documents that show your name, the date, and the gross amount. If you are employed, save copies of your pay stubs.

Saving a copy of your income documents and a copy of your IRS 1040 will help you maintain your health care coverage by responding quickly and completely when you receive your recertification notice.

If you are having difficulty getting your documents to send to Basic Health, or you are called out of town unexpectedly, please call Basic Health and let us know. In addition, if you want a friend, family member, or community organization to help you with your account, go online and print the Permission form or call Basic Health and request one. Once we receive this form, your representative may provide information to Basic Health on your behalf.



## Just a reminder:

Contact your health plan about provider and medical issues.

Contact Basic Health about your eligibility, or changes to your address, family size, or income.



## Tell a friend!

Basic Health has space available if you know someone who needs health coverage. They can call 1-800-660-9840 to get an application or visit [www.basichealth.hca.wa.gov](http://www.basichealth.hca.wa.gov), or start an application online.

**This serves as official notice of a change to your 2008 Basic Health Member Handbook.**

To obtain this document in another format (such as Braille or audio), call our Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator at 360-923-2805. TTY users (deaf, hard of hearing, or speech impaired), call 360-923-2701 or toll-free 1-888-923-5622.

Si desea ayuda en español, llame al 1-800-321-0291. Для обслуживания на русском языке, позвоните, пожалуйста, по телефону 1-800-387-8224. 한국어로 도움을 원하시면 1-800-324-1658로 연락하십시오. Nếu quý vị muốn được giúp bằng tiếng Việt, xin gọi số 1-800-423-2231.