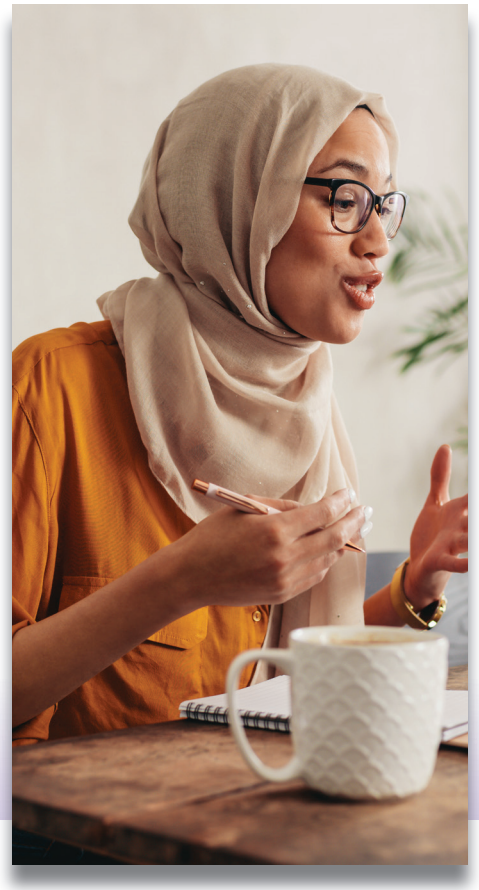






TORRANCE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

2026 Annual Notices

Your guide to physical, financial & personal wellbeing support.

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LEGAL NOTICES & DISCLOSURES

Patient Protections Disclosure

The Torrance Unified School District Kaiser Health Plans generally require the designation of a primary care provider. You have the right to designate any primary care provider who participates in our network and who is available to accept you or your family members.

Until you make this designation, Kaiser Permanente designates one for you. For information on how to select a primary care provider, and for a list of the participating primary care providers, contact the Kaiser Permanente at 1.800.464.4000 or www.kp.org.

For children, you may designate a pediatrician as the primary care provider.

You do not need prior authorization from Kaiser Permanente or from any other person (including a primary care provider) in order to obtain access to obstetrical or gynecological care from a health care professional in our network who specializes in obstetrics or gynecology. The health care professional, however, may be required to comply with certain procedures, including obtaining prior authorization for certain services, following a pre-approved treatment plan, or procedures for making referrals. For a list of participating health care professionals who specialize in obstetrics or gynecology, contact Kaiser Permanente at 1.800.464.4000 or www.kp.org.

Women's Health & Cancer Rights Act

If you have had or are going to have a mastectomy, you may be entitled to certain benefits under the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 ("WHCRA"). For individuals receiving mastectomy-related benefits, coverage will be provided in a manner determined in consultation with the attending physician and the patient, for:

- All stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed;
- Surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance;
- Prostheses; and
- Treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedema.

These benefits will be provided subject to the same deductibles and coinsurance applicable to other medical and surgical benefits provided under the plan.

Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act

Group health plans and health insurance issuers generally may not, under Federal law, restrict benefits for any hospital length of stay in connection with childbirth for the mother or newborn child to less than 48 hours following a vaginal delivery, or less than 96 hours following a cesarean section. However, Federal law generally does not prohibit the mother's or newborn's attending provider, after consulting with the mother, from discharging the mother or her newborn earlier than 48 hours (or 96 hours as applicable). In any case, plans and issuers may not, under Federal law, require that a provider obtain authorization from the plan or insurance issuer for prescribing a length of stay not in excess of 48 hours (or 96 hours).

Premium Assistance Under Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

If you or your children are eligible for Medicaid or CHIP and you're eligible for health coverage from your employer, your state may have a premium assistance program that can help pay for coverage, using funds from their Medicaid or CHIP programs. If you or your children aren't eligible for Medicaid or CHIP, you won't be eligible for these premium assistance programs but you may be able to buy individual insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace. For more information, visit www.healthcare.gov.

If you or your dependents are already enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP and you live in a state listed below, contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office to find out if premium assistance is available.

If you or your dependents are **not** currently enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP, and you think you or any of your dependents might be eligible for either of these programs, contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office or dial 877.KIDS.NOW or www.insurekidsnow.gov to find out how to apply. If you qualify, ask your state if it has a program that might help you pay the premiums for an employer-sponsored plan.

If you or your dependents are eligible for premium assistance under Medicaid or CHIP, as well as eligible under your employer plan, your employer must allow you to enroll in your employer plan if you aren't already enrolled. This is called a "special enrollment" opportunity, and **you must request coverage within 60 days of being determined eligible for premium assistance.** If you have questions about enrolling in your employer plan, contact the Department of Labor at www.askebsa.dol.gov or call 866.444.EBSA (3272).

If you live in one of the following states, you may be eligible for assistance paying your employer health plan premiums. The following list of states is current as of January 31, 2026. Contact your state for more information on eligibility.

ALABAMA – Medicaid

http://myalhipp.com
855.692.5447

ALASKA – Medicaid

The AK Health Insurance Premium Payment Program
http://myakhipp.com/ | 866.251.4861
CustomerService@MyAKHIPP.com
Medicaid Eligibility: https://health.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/default.aspx

ARKANSAS – Medicaid

http://myarhipp.com
855.MyARHIPP (855.692.7447)

CALIFORNIA – Medicaid

Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) Program
http://dhcs.ca.gov/hipp
916.445.8322 | Fax: 916.440.5676 | Email: hipp@dhcs.ca.gov

COLORADO – Medicaid and CHIP

Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program)
https://www.healthfirstcolorado.com
Member Contact Center: 800.221.3943 | State Relay 711
Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+)
https://hcpf.colorado.gov/child-health-plan-plus
Customer Service: 800.359.1991 | State Relay 711
Health Insurance Buy-In Program (HIBI)
https://www.mycohibi.com/
HIBI Customer Service: 855.692.6442

FLORIDA – Medicaid

www.flmedicaidtplrecovery.com/flmedicaidtplrecovery.com/hipp/index.html
877.357.3268

GEORGIA – Medicaid

GA HIPP: https://medicaid.georgia.gov/health-insurance-premium-payment-program-hipp
678.564.1162, Press 1
GA CHIPRA: https://medicaid.georgia.gov/programs/third-party-liability/childrens-health-insurance-program-reauthorization-act-2009-chipra
678.564.1162, Press 2

INDIANA – Medicaid

Health Insurance Premium Payment Program
All other Medicaid
https://www.in.gov/medicaid/ | 800.457.4584
Family and Social Services Administration
http://www.in.gov/fssa/dfr/ | 800.403.0864

IOWA – Medicaid and CHIP (Hawki)

Medicaid: https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/welcome-iowa-medicaid
800.338.8366
Hawki: https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/welcome-iowa-medicaid/iowa-health-link/hawki
800.257.8563
HIPP: https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/welcome-iowa-medicaid/fee-service/hipp
888.346.9562

KANSAS – Medicaid

https://www.kancare.ks.gov/
800.792.4884 | HIPP Phone: 800.967.4660

KENTUCKY – Medicaid

Kentucky Integrated Health Insurance Premium Payment Program (KI-HIPP):
https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/member/Pages/kihipp.aspx
855.459.6328 | KIHIPP.PROGRAM@ky.gov
KCHIP: https://kynect.ky.gov | 877.524.4718
Medicaid: https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms

LOUISIANA – Medicaid

Medicaid: www.ldh.la.gov/healthy-louisiana
Customer Service Line: 888.342.6207
Medicaid Email: healthy@la.gov
Louisiana Health Insurance Premium Program (LaHIPP):
https://www.ldh.la.gov/lahipp
LaHIPP Phone: 877.697.6703 | LaHIPP Email: La.HIPP@la.gov
LaHIPP Fax: 888.716.9787
LaHIPP Mailing Address: 100 Crescent Centre Parkway, Suite 1000 Tucker, GA 30084

MAINE – Medicaid

Enrollment: https://www.mymaineconnection.gov/benefits/s/?language=en_US
800.442.6003 | TTY: Maine relay 711
Private Health Insurance Premium:
https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/applications-forms
800.977.6740 | TTY: Maine relay 711

MASSACHUSETTS – Medicaid and CHIP
https://www.mass.gov/masshealth/pa
800.862.4840 | TTY: 711 | Email: masspremassistance@accenture.com

MINNESOTA – Medicaid
https://mn.gov/dhs/health-care-coverage/
800.657.3672

MISSOURI – Medicaid
http://www.dss.mo.gov/mhd/participants/pages/hipp.htm
573.751.2005

MONTANA – Medicaid
http://dphhs.mt.gov/MontanaHealthcarePrograms/HIPP
800.694.3084 | Email: HHSHIPPProgram@mt.gov

NEBRASKA – Medicaid
http://www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov
Phone: 855.632.7633 | Lincoln: 402.473.7000 | Omaha: 402.595.1178

NEVADA – Medicaid
http://dhcfp.nv.gov
800.992.0900

NEW HAMPSHIRE – Medicaid
https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/programs-services/medicaid/health-insurance-premium-program
603.271.5218 | Toll free number for the HIPP program: 800.852.3345, ext. 15218 | Email: DHHS.ThirdPartyLiabi@dhhs.nh.gov

NEW JERSEY – Medicaid and CHIP
Medicaid: http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/clients/medicaid
800.356.1561
CHIP: http://www.njfamilycare.org/index.html
800.701.0710 (TTY: 711) | Premium Assistance: 609.631.2392

NEW YORK – Medicaid
https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/
800.541.2831

NORTH CAROLINA – Medicaid
https://dma.ncdhhs.gov
919.855.4100

NORTH DAKOTA – Medicaid
https://www.hhs.nd.gov/healthcare
844.854.4825

OKLAHOMA – Medicaid and CHIP
http://www.insureoklahoma.org
888.365.3742

OREGON – Medicaid and CHIP
http://healthcare.oregon.gov/Pages/index.aspx
800.699.9075

PENNSYLVANIA – Medicaid and CHIP
https://www.pa.gov/en/services/dhs/apply-for-medicaid-health-insurance-premium-payment-program-hipp.html
800.692.7462
CHIP Website: https://www.dhs.pa.gov/CHIP/Pages/CHIP.aspx
CHIP Phone: 800.986.KIDS (5437)

RHODE ISLAND – Medicaid and CHIP
http://www.eohhs.ri.gov
855.697.4347 or 401.462.0311 (Direct RIte Share Line)

SOUTH CAROLINA – Medicaid
http://www.scdhhs.gov
888.549.0820

SOUTH DAKOTA – Medicaid
http://dss.sd.gov
888.828.0059

TEXAS – Medicaid
https://www.hhs.texas.gov/services/financial/health-insurance-premium-payment-hipp-program
800.440.0493

UTAH – Medicaid and CHIP
Utah's Premium Partnership for Health Insurance (UPP)
https://medicaid.utah.gov/upp/ | Email: upp@utah.gov | 888.222.2542
Adult Expansion: https://medicaid.utah.gov/expansion/
Utah Medicaid Buyout Program: https://medicaid.utah.gov/buyout-program/
CHIP: https://chip.utah.gov/

VERMONT – Medicaid
https://dvha.vermont.gov/members/medicaid/hipp-program
800.250.8427

VIRGINIA – Medicaid and CHIP
https://coverva.dmas.virginia.gov/learn/premium-assistance/famis-select
https://coverva.dmas.virginia.gov/learn/premium-assistance/health-insurance-premium-payment-hipp-programs
Medicaid and Chip: 800.432.5924

WASHINGTON – Medicaid
https://www.hca.wa.gov/
800.562.3022

WEST VIRGINIA – Medicaid and CHIP
https://dhhr.wv.gov/bms/ or http://mywvhipp.com/
Medicaid: 304.558.1700
CHIP Toll-free: 855.MyWVHIPP (855.699.8447)

WISCONSIN – Medicaid and CHIP
https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/badgercareplus/p-10095.htm
800.362.3002

WYOMING – Medicaid
https://health.wyo.gov/healthcarefin/medicaid/programs-and-eligibility/
800.251.1269

To see if any other states have added a premium assistance program since January 31, 2026, or for more information on special enrollment rights, contact either:

U.S. Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration
www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa
866.444.EBSA (3272)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
www.cms.hhs.gov
877.267.2323, Menu Option 4, Ext. 61565

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Paperwork Reduction Act Statement

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) (PRA), no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. The Department notes that a Federal agency cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it is approved by OMB under the PRA, and displays a currently valid OMB control number, and the public is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. See 44 U.S.C. 3507. Also, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information if the collection of information does not display a currently valid OMB control number. See 44 U.S.C. 3512.

The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average approximately seven minutes per respondent. Interested parties are encouraged to send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Office of Policy and Research, Attention: PRA Clearance Officer, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room N-5718, Washington, DC 20210 or email ebsa.opr@dol.gov and reference the OMB Control Number 1210-0137.

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HIPAA Special Enrollment Rights

TORRANCE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT HEALTH PLAN NOTICE NOTICE OF YOUR HIPAA SPECIAL ENROLLMENT RIGHTS

Our records show that you are eligible to participate in the Torrance Unified School District Health Plan (to actually participate, you must complete an enrollment form and may be required to pay part of the premium through payroll deduction).

A federal law called HIPAA requires that we notify you about an important provision in the plan – your right to enroll in the plan under its “special enrollment provision” if you acquire a new dependent, or if you decline coverage under this plan for yourself or an eligible dependent while other coverage is in effect and later lose that other coverage for certain qualifying reasons.

Health & Welfare Benefits Manager Contact Information
Contact Email: kasai.kathy@tusd.org

Location of HIPAA Notice
The HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices can be accessed at: www.tusd.org/benefits, or click here.

Loss of Other Coverage (Excluding Medicaid or a State Children’s Health Insurance Program). If you decline enrollment for yourself or for an eligible dependent (including your spouse) while other health insurance or group health plan coverage is in effect, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this plan if you or your dependents lose eligibility for that other coverage (or if the employer stops contributing toward your or your dependents’ other coverage). However, you must request enrollment within 30 days after your or your dependents’ other coverage ends (or after the employer stops contributing toward the other coverage).

Loss of Coverage for Medicaid or a State Children's Health Insurance Program. If you decline enrollment for yourself or for an eligible dependent (including your spouse) while Medicaid coverage or coverage under a state children's health insurance program is in effect, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this plan if you or your dependents lose eligibility for that other coverage. However, you must request enrollment within 60 days after your or your dependents' coverage ends under Medicaid or a state children's health insurance program.

New Dependent by Marriage, Birth, Adoption, or Placement for Adoption. If you have a new dependent as a result of marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, you may be able to enroll yourself and your new dependents. However, you must request enrollment within 30 days after the marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption.

Eligibility for Premium Assistance Under Medicaid or a State Children's Health Insurance Program. If you or your dependents (including your spouse) become eligible for a state premium assistance subsidy from Medicaid or through a state children's health insurance program with respect to coverage under this plan, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this plan. However, you must request enrollment within 60 days after your or your dependents' determination of eligibility for such assistance.

To request special enrollment or to obtain more information about the plan's special enrollment provisions, refer to the TUSD Fringe packet and SPD on the TUSD website and also on our online benefit system website, enrollmentsolutions.com.

IMPORTANT WARNING

If you decline enrollment for yourself or for an eligible dependent, you must complete our form to decline coverage. On the form, you are required to state that coverage under another group health plan or other health insurance coverage (including Medicaid or a state children's health insurance program) is the reason for declining enrollment, and you are asked to identify that coverage. If you do not complete the form, you and your dependents will not be entitled to special enrollment rights upon a loss of other coverage as described above, but you will still have special enrollment rights when you have a new dependent by marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, or by virtue of gaining eligibility for a state premium assistance subsidy from Medicaid or through a state children's health insurance program with respect to coverage under this plan, as described above. If you do not gain special enrollment rights upon a loss of other coverage, you cannot enroll yourself or your dependents in the plan at any time other than the plan's annual open enrollment period, unless special enrollment rights apply because of a new dependent by marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, or by virtue of gaining eligibility for a state premium assistance subsidy from Medicaid or through a state children's health insurance program with respect to coverage under this plan.



This document is an outline of the coverage provided under your employer's benefit plans based on information provided by your company. It does not include all the terms, coverage, exclusions, limitations, and conditions contained in the official Plan Document, applicable insurance policies and contracts (collectively, the "plan documents"). The plan documents themselves must be read for those details. The intent of this document is to provide you with general information about your employer's benefit plans. It does not necessarily address all the specific issues which may be applicable to you. It should not be construed as, nor is it intended to provide, legal advice. To the extent that any of the information contained in this document is inconsistent with the plan documents, the provisions set forth in the plan documents will govern in all cases. If you wish to review the plan documents or you have questions regarding specific issues or plan provisions, you should contact your Human Resources/Benefits Department.

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