Are YOU losing your HUSKY medical on 7/31/16? Thousands will!

If you are one of the approximately 17,000 parents and caregivers of minor children losing HUSKY medical, you should get a DSS/Access Health CT notice telling you.

WHAT TO DO NOW:

- **1.** GET all the medical care you can NOW. Tell your providers why it is urgent.
- **2.** KEEP TAKING your children for medical care; they should not be cut off.
- 3. APPEAL in writing (ask for a hearing) before 7/31/16 to OLCRAH/DSS, 55 Farmington Ave, Hartford CT 06105 if you think the cut-off notice is mistaken for any reason, such as:
 - your income went down
 - your family size went up
 - you put more in your IRA

Is the monthly income DSS counts for your household under these amounts?

IF YES, YOU SHOULD NOT BE CUT OFF!

Household size:	Income per month:
1	\$1534.50
2	\$2069.25
3	\$2604.00
4	\$3138.75
5	\$3673.50
6	\$4208.25
7	\$4744.55
8	\$5282.40

- DSS is including in your income your IRA or 401k
 contributions, child support received, alimony paid, workers'
 comp, VA benefits, TFA or SSI
- you should still be on HUSKY because you are disabled, 65 or more, pregnant, or have breast or cervical cancer.

WHAT YOU CAN DO NEXT!

- **1. Contact Access Health CT (AHCT) to update your information**, in case you are still eligible for HUSKY, financially. Go online to www.accesshealthct.com, or call AHCT at: 1-855-371-2428.
- **2. Call here if you might be eligible for the following HUSKY groups:** pregnancy (1-855-805-4325); breast or cervical cancer diagnosis, or tuberculosis (860-424-5025).
- **3.** If you are disabled or age 65 or over, apply for HUSKY C at DSS. Call DSS at 1-855-626-6632. If you were sent the W1HUSC form, complete it and send it in. Keep a copy, and the date you get it in to DSS.
- **4. See if your employer offers health insurance you can afford**. You must enroll in its plan by 9/29/16 if you are cut off HUSKY.
- **5. Contact AHCT to apply for a Qualified Health Plan**. Look at the DSS /AHCT notice for the <u>time limit to apply</u>. There will be premiums and other costs to pay for a QHP be sure you understand them. QHPs are private, premium-subsidized health insurance plans.
- **6. Talk to your medical providers**. Ask them about prescription drug assistance plans if you need prescription medication. Ask them to help you plan to continue your care; they can possibly arrange payment plans with you.
- **7.** Certain agencies may be able to help you get medical care if you are eligible. Try calling the Office of the Healthcare Advocate for assistance at **1-866-466-4446.** You can also try calling **2-1-1**.
- **8**. If you appeal your cut-off for a hearing because you think DSS has made a mistake in your case, you are welcome to call Statewide Legal Services of Connecticut at **1-800-453-3320**.

Why are some parents/caregivers being cut off? Connecticut reduced the income limit up to which it provides medical care to low-income parents and caregivers of minor children.

NOTE: There has been no change for the children.