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# **Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care**

## **Nebraska Medicaid Job Skills Program Referrals**

**Quarter 4 - 2022**

**January 31, 2023**

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Jim Pillen, Governor

January 31, 2023

Brandon Metzler, Clerk of the Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 2028  
P.O. Box 94604  
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. Metzler:

In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. 68-997, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care (MLTC) submits this report on the status of referrals to job skills programs for interested individuals who apply for Medicaid coverage.

Medicaid staff provide applicants with information on the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training (E&T) job skills program offered by DHHS. These efforts are detailed in the attached report.

DHHS is required to report this information beginning February 1, 2021, and within thirty days of the expiration of each subsequent calendar quarter in 2021 and 2022. As a result, this is the last report to be required per statute.

If you have any questions, please contact the Medicaid program at [Kevin.Bagley@Nebraska.gov](mailto:Kevin.Bagley@Nebraska.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin Bagley".

Kevin Bagley, Director  
Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care  
Department of Health and Human Services

## Job Skills Programs Summaries

### Quarterly Summary

MLTC provides the following update regarding the statutory requirements in Neb. Rev. Stat. 68-997 surrounding the referral of Medicaid applicants to job skills program for the fourth calendar quarter of 2022:

MLTC continued collaborating with the Division of Children and Family Services in the fourth quarter of 2022 to provide Medicaid applicants with information on the SNAP E&T program. The purpose of the SNAP E&T program is to “get under-employed and unemployed clients on SNAP into jobs that pay a livable wage.” More information on the SNAP E&T program is available on the [DHHS website](#).

Between October 1 and December 31, 2022, Medicaid staff provided information on the SNAP E&T program to 1,525 individuals who visited DHHS’s local offices across the state, a decrease of 15.2 percent compared to last quarter’s report. These individuals received Medicaid applications from the local offices that included [flyers \(Spanish version\)](#) on the SNAP E&T program. DHHS also noted 4,058 visits to the SNAP E&T webpage from October 1 to December 31, an increase in traffic of 5.7 percent compared to last quarter’s report.

From October 1 to December 31, the SNAP E&T program received no referrals from the Medicaid program of Medicaid applicants interested in participating in the SNAP E&T program.

MLTC continues to seek additional ways to refer interested Medicaid applicants to job skills programs.

### Annual Summary

Between January 1 and December 31, 2022, Medicaid staff provided information on the SNAP E&T program to 6,982 individuals who visited DHHS’s local offices across the state, an increase of 37.9 percent compared to last year’s reports. DHHS also noted 14,885 visits to the SNAP E&T webpage from January 1 to December 31, an increase in traffic of .3 percent compared to last year’s reports.