

## KanCare Renewals and Discontinuances Frequently Asked Questions

What is the deadline to submit my renewal? Renewal forms must be received by the KanCare Clearinghouse on the 15th of every month. You'll need to submit your annual renewal by the 15th of your renewal month.

**Do I have to sign my renewal?** The renewal must be signed and dated by the primary applicant. If the primary applicant has a guardian or conservator, the renewal must be signed by the guardian or conservator.

What happens when a renewal is returned after the 15th of my renewal month? Renewals turned in after the 15th are automatically closed by KanCare's computer system because the renewal wasn't turned in on time. You can still submit the renewal form during the three months following your renewal month. Once your renewal is received and processed, and if you're determined eligible, eligibility may be backdated for those three months.

**If I return my renewal after the 15th, will I have coverage while my renewal is being processed?** If you submitted your renewal after the 15th, the closure was made according to eligibility policy. You will not have coverage until the renewal is processed. If you are determined eligible once the renewal is processed, coverage may be backdated.

I returned my renewal on time and received a letter saying my coverage ends at the end of the month due to not returning my renewal. Why? If your renewal was received prior to the 15th but was not entered into KanCare's computer system by the closure date, it will be automatically closed. These cases will be reopened, and you will have coverage while the renewal is being processed.

What should I do if I receive a letter that my coverage has ended and I returned my renewal before the 15th? You will get a reinstatement letter soon. Your coverage will continue until the renewal is processed. You don't need to do anything else at this time. KanCare will contact you if further information is needed.

What should I do if I get a letter that my coverage has ended and I haven't returned my renewal? Turn your renewal in as soon as possible and make sure it's signed and dated. There is a three-month grace period. If you turn the renewal in during those months, it will be processed like it was on time and if you're determined eligible, coverage may be backdated up to three months.

What should I do if I get a letter that my coverage has ended and I returned my renewal late? You'll need to wait until your renewal is processed or you get a mailed request from KanCare for more information.

How often do I have to complete a renewal? KanCare members are renewed once a year.

**Why do I have to complete a renewal?** None of my information has changed. KanCare is federally required to complete financial reviews once a year by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

**Does everyone who has KanCare have to do an annual renewal?** Some eligibility groups, like those with Supplemental Security Income (SSI), don't have to complete annual renewals. Most KanCare members do have to complete an annual renewal.

**I've been discontinued, but I have information that I think would make me eligible. What should I do?** If you have more information to report after you turn in your renewal, contact the KanCare Clearinghouse at 1-800-792-4884. You can also <u>reapply for</u> <u>KanCare</u> at any time.

I think I've been discontinued in error. What should I do? If you think there may be a mistake in your eligibility status, contact the KanCare Clearinghouse at 1-800-792-4884. If you still need help after you've contacted the Clearinghouse, you can contact the KanCare Ombudsman's Office at 855-643-8180. If you would like to request an <u>eligibility</u> state fair hearing, you have the right to do so.

What if I'm found ineligible for KanCare after my renewal is processed? If you're not eligible for KanCare, you can check if you're eligible for affordable health coverage at the <u>federal Marketplace</u>. Many people find insurance plans for as low as \$10 a month.

What if the Clearinghouse can't share information about my loved one because I'm not on their medical case? If you need information about a KanCare member but aren't listed on their medical case, fill out a <u>facilitator or medical representative form</u>. Facilitator and medical representative forms must be signed by the primary applicant.