



Bellmore-Merrick CHSD
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To: Benefit Eligible Employees
From: Eric Gómez
Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Administration
Re: Young Adult Health Insurance

The age limit for a child on the NYSHIP/Empire Plan is 26 years old. Their coverage is through the end of the month of their 26th birthday. For example, if your child's 26th birthday is September 12, their coverage will continue through September 30. Their first day without coverage will be October 1.

There are two options for continued coverage:

1. Young Adult Plan (the same NYSHIP Empire Plan with no district contribution) until age 30 if they chose to enroll. The Young Adult Plan is conditional based on your continued Empire Plan enrollment.
2. NYS Health Marketplace <https://nystateofhealth.ny.gov/>

If interested in the Young Adult coverage plan, please contact Renee Jones in the Human Resources office at rjones@bellmore-merrick.k12.ny.us.

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