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## *Status of Applying for Medicaid Online*

- The “portal”: <https://www.yourtexasbenefits.com>
- Create an account for each individual in your firm who will file Medicaid applications (by pretending to apply for a benefit)
- Don't enter application information now—it won't all get to the worker. Fill out Form H1200 (initial application) or H1200-A (annual review) and upload as a document
- Other essential “tips & tricks”—see paper pp. 3-4
- How to open an account—see paper pp. 4-5
- The application process—see paper p. 5



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## ***Benefits of Filing Online***

Once you apply online you can:

- Check the status of your benefits
- Report changes to your case
- Renew your benefits
- Print a Medicaid card
- Upload items HHSC needs from you



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## ***Medicaid Rental Income Policy Revised***

- Eligibility may be certified on an annual basis if in best interests of the client (divide property tax, insurance, etc. by 12)
- However, 6-month averaging must be used for copayment in all cases
- Problem: copayment may change several times per year
- Solution: As always—have tenant pay all expenses as incurred, directly to tax district, insurance co., etc.

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