

Molina's In Lieu of Services (ILOS) Nutrition Benefits



In June 2025, Molina launched four In Lieu of Services (ILOS) nutrition benefits in all Molina service areas (Regions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 10). Molina offers medically tailored home delivered meals, healthy home delivered meals, healthy food packs, and produce prescriptions to eligible and qualifying members who meet the clinical risk, social risk, and medical necessity criteria for ILOS benefits, as defined by MDHHS. You can access additional information on the MDHHS ILOS Policy at Michigan.gov/mdhhs/mihealthylife/michigan-in-lieu-of-services.

As a new Medicaid benefit, ILOS for nutrition aims to improve health outcomes by offering medically appropriate, cost-effective alternatives to traditional Medicaid services for qualifying members. If you have a Molina member who meets the clinical risk and social risk criteria for ILOS and wish to submit a Pre-Authorization for ILOS benefits, **the ILOS Pre-Authorization form is accessible via the Availity provider portal in the resources section under the payer spaces functionality.**

This benefit is meant to improve outcomes for members who have food insecurity and an uncontrolled chronic condition causing unnecessary utilization. Referred members will also need to meet medical necessity criteria in order to qualify for the ILOS nutrition benefit.

Molina will be hosting a second ILOS Informational Webinar for Network Providers in early 2026. Details regarding this webinar will be shared in future Provider Network communications.

If you have additional questions on Molina's ILOS nutrition benefits, please reach out to Erin Conklin, Program Manager, Community Reinvestment at erin.conklin@MolinaHealthcare.com.

ILOS Clinical Risk Factors

Member must meet the MDHHS-defined criteria for one clinical risk factor to be eligible for ILOS assessment

- Member was discharged from inpatient or post-acute care within last 60 days
- Member has Nutrition Sensitive Condition (Diabetes, CHF, COPD, hypertension, HIV, cancer with malnutrition, malnutrition, sickle cell disease, or renal disease)
- Member is a Former Foster Care Youth in Transitional Medicaid with nutrition sensitive condition
- Member identified as having a High-Risk Pregnancy
- Child with elevated blood lead levels or childhood obesity
- Member eligible for Children's Special Health Care Services program (CSHCS)

ILOS Social Risk Factor

Member must meet the MDHHS-defined social risk factor to be eligible for ILOS assessment

- Member is at risk for nutritional deficiency or nutritional imbalance due to food insecurity