
6 Myths About Registering To Vote

Myth #1 You will be called for jury duty if you are a registered voter.

FALSE. Jury selection is a civic matter. You can be chosen as a juror if you are a citizen who pays taxes. If you have a driver's license you are a likely candidate for jury duty.

Myth #2 Once you have registered you need not register to vote again.

FALSE. If you have not voted in 4 or more years you need to register again. If you have changed your name or residence, you must re-register.

Myth #3 Literacy tests still exist.

FALSE. Literacy tests are no longer part of the registration process. As a matter of fact, voter registration forms are now available in Spanish as well as in English.

Myth #4 Non-U.S.A. born citizens cannot vote.

FALSE. All naturalized citizens can vote. But, you must fill out the appropriate section on the form.

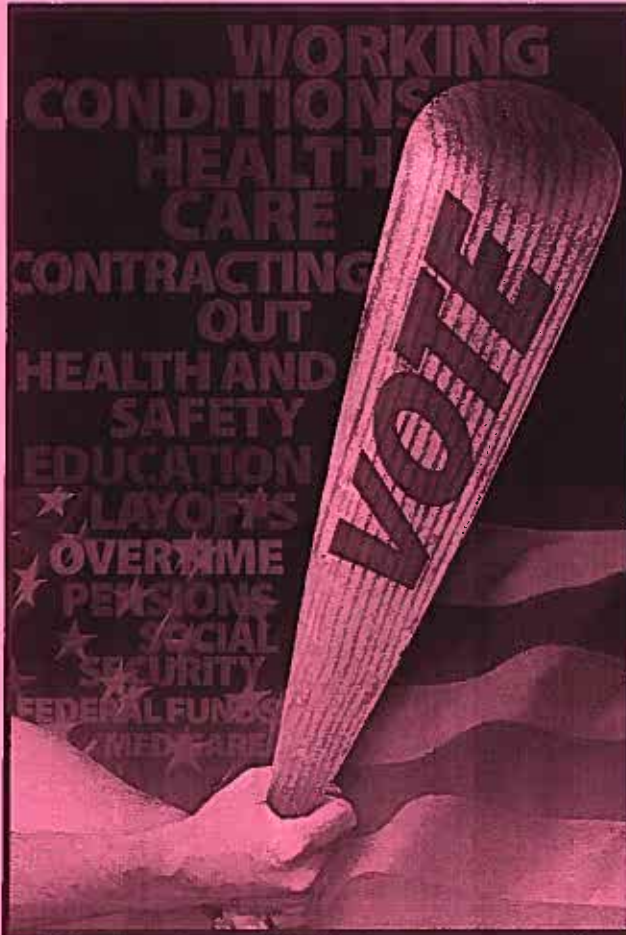
Myth #5 If you can't get to the polls on election day, you can't vote.

FALSE. If you are disabled or ill you can vote by using an absentee ballot. If you are on vacation or at an out-of-town school you should vote by absentee ballot. You can get an absentee ballot by filling out a form supplied by the Board of Elections in your area.

Myth #6 It's hard to register to vote.

FALSE. You don't even have to go down to your local Board of Elections! Now you can get a form through the mail. And to make the process even easier, there is a state-wide voter registration campaign in process. Look for voter registration tables at your work-sites, your street festivals, your schools, and even in your neighborhood.

You no longer have an excuse. REGISTER TO VOTE TODAY!!



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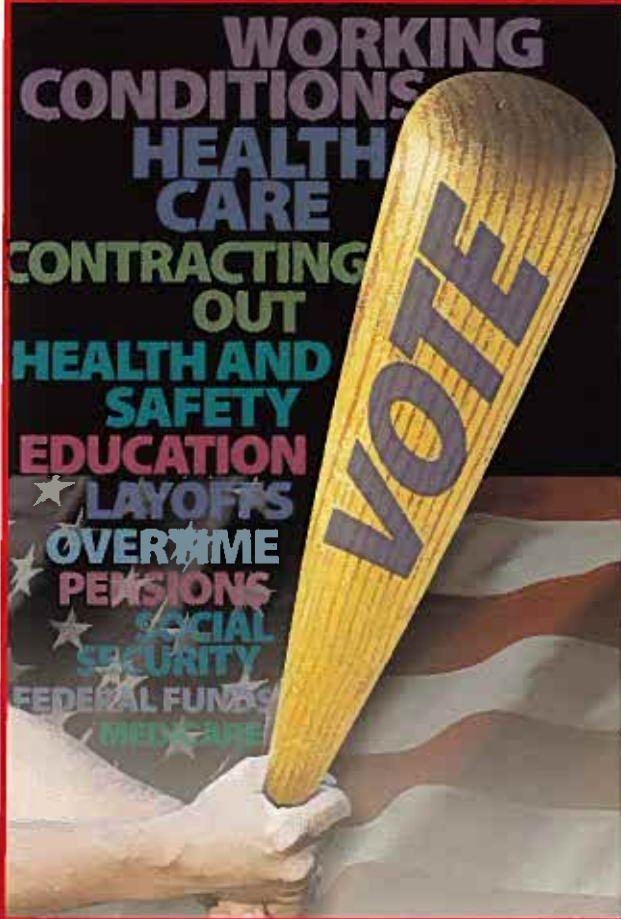
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Yes, I need an application for an Absentee Ballot **Please print or type in blue or black ink** Yes, I would like to be an Election Day worker

1 Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> <small>If you answered NO, do not complete this form.</small>		2 I will be 18 years old on or before election day: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> <small>If you answered NO, do not complete this form, unless you will be 18 by the end of the year.</small>		For Board use only!							
3 Last Name		3 First Name				3 Middle Initial		3 Suffix			
4 Address Where You Live (do not give P.O. address)				4 Apt. No.		4 City/Town/Village		4 Zip Code		4 County	
5 Address Where You Get Your Mail (if different from above)				5 P.O. box, star rte., etc.				5 Post Office		5 Zip Code	
6 Date of Birth		7 Sex (circle) M F		8 Home Tel. Number (optional)		9 ID Number - Check the applicable box and provide your number					
10 The last year you voted		10 Your Address was (give house number, street, and city)				<input type="checkbox"/> New York Driver's License Number		<input type="checkbox"/> Last four digits of your Social Security number			
10 In county/state		10 Under the name (if different from your name now)				→		<input type="checkbox"/> I do not have a New York driver's license number or a Social Security number.			
11 Choose a Party — Check one box only				12 AFFIDAVIT: I swear or affirm that							
<input type="checkbox"/> REPUBLICAN PARTY <input type="checkbox"/> DEMOCRATIC PARTY <input type="checkbox"/> INDEPENDENCE PARTY <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATIVE PARTY <input type="checkbox"/> WORKING FAMILIES PARTY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (write in) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> I DO NOT WISH TO ENROLL IN A PARTY				<i>Please note:</i> In order to vote in a primary election, you must be enrolled in one of these parties.				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I am a citizen of the United States. • I will have lived in the county, city, or village for at least 30 days before the election. • I meet all requirements to register to vote in New York State. • This is my signature or mark on the line below. • The above information is true. I understand that if it is not true I can be convicted and fined up to \$5,000 and/or jailed for up to four years. ↓ Signature or mark ↓			
				X _____				Date _____			

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YOUR ADDRESS:



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MAIL TO:

To mail, put the address of your County Board of Elections in the "Mail To:" box

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32 North Russell Road
Albany, NY 12207
(518) 487-5060

ALLEGANY—7 Court St.
Belmont, NY 14813-1085
(716) 269-9294

BROOME—Edwin L. Crawford
County Office Building
Gov't Plaza, P.O. Box 1766
Binghamton, NY 13902
(607) 778-2172

CATTARAUGUS—302 Court St.
Little Valley, NY 14755
(716) 938-9111

CAYUGA—10 Court Street,
Auburn, NY 13021
(315) 253-1285

CHAUTAUQUA—Gerace Office Bldg.
3 North Erie St., Mayville, NY 14757
(716) 753-4236

CHEMUNG—425 Pennsylvania Ave.
PO Box 588, Elmira, NY 14902-0588
(607) 737-6475

CHENANGO—County Office Bldg.
5 Court St., Norwich, NY 13815
(607) 337-1764

CLINTON—Government Center
137 Margaret St.
Plattsburgh, NY 12901
(518) 565-4740

COLUMBIA—401 State Street
Hudson, NY 12534
(518) 828-3115

CORTLAND—County Court House
46 Greenbush St. Suite 102
Cortland, NY 13045-3703
(607) 753-6032

DELAWARE—3 Gallant Ave.
Delhi, NY 13753
(607) 746-2315

DUTCHESS—47 Cannon St.
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601
(845) 486-2473

ERIE—134 W. Eagle St.
Buffalo, NY 14202
(716) 858-8891

ESSEX—Court St.
PO Box 217
Elizabethtown, NY 12932
(518) 873-3478

FRANKLIN—63 West Main St.
Malone, NY 12953
(518) 481-1663

FULTON—2714 St. Hwy 29, Ste. 1
Johnstown, NY 12095
(518) 736-5526

GENESEE—County Building # 1
15 Main St., PO Box 284
Batavia, NY 14021
(585) 344-2550

GREENE—441 Main St., PO Box 307
Catskill, NY 12414
(518) 943-4191

HAMILTON—County Building
PO Box 175, Lake Pleasant, NY 12108
(518) 548-4684

HERKIMER—109 Mary St.
Suite 1306, Herkimer, NY 13350
(315) 867-1102

JEFFERSON—175 Arsenal St.
Watertown, NY 13601
(315) 785-3027

LEWIS—7660 N. State St.
Lowville, NY 13367
(315) 376-5329 or 5342

LIVINGSTON—County Gov't. Center,
6 Court Street, Room 104
Genesee, NY 14454-1043
(716) 243-7090

MADISON—County Office Bldg.
PO Box 666
Wampsville, NY 13163
(315) 366-2231

MONROE—39 Main St. W.
Rochester, NY 14614
(716) 428-4550

MONTGOMERY—Old Court House,
Railroad St., PO Box 1500
Fonda, NY 12068-1500
(518) 853-8180

NASSAU—New Administration Bldg.
400 County Seat Dr.
Mineola, NY 11501
(516) 571-2411

NEW YORK CITY—General Offices
32 Broadway, 7th Floor
New York, NY 10004
(212) VOTE NYC

NIAGARA—111 Main St., Suite 100,
Lockport, NY 14094
(716) 439-7215

ONEIDA—County Office Bldg.
800 Park Ave., Utica, NY 13501
(315) 798-5785

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15th Floor, 421 Montgomery St.
Syracuse, NY 13202
(315) 435-3312

ONTARIO—20 Ontario St.
Canandaigua, NY 14424
(716) 396-4005

ORANGE—25 Court Lane
PO Box 30, Goshen, NY 10924
(845) 291-2444

ORLEANS—14016 St. Rte. 31
Albion, NY 14411
(716) 689-3270

OSWEGO—46 E. Bridge St.
Oswego, NY 13126
(315) 349-8350

OTSEGO—County Office Bldg.
197 Main St., Cooperstown, NY 13326
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PUTNAM—1 Geneva Rd.
Brewster, NY 10509
(845) 278-6970

RENSSELAER—
Ned Pattison Gov't Cntr.
1600 Seventh Avenue
Troy, NY 12180
(518) 270-2990

ROCKLAND—11 New Hempstead Rd.
New City, NY 10956
(845) 638-5172

ST. LAWRENCE—Court House
48 Court St. Canton, NY 13617
(315) 379-2202

SARATOGA—50 W. High St.
Ballston Spa, NY 12020
(518) 885-2249

SCHENECTADY—368 Broadway
Suite 108
Schenectady, NY 12305-2391
(518) 377-2469

SCHOHARIE—County Office Bldg.
PO Box 99, Schoharie, NY 12157
(518) 295-8388

SCHUYLER—County Office Bldg.
105 9th St., Unit 13
Watkins Glen, NY 14891
(607) 535-8195

SENECA—One Di Pronio Dr.
Waterloo, NY 13165
(315) 539-1760

STEBUEN—3 E. Pulteney Sq.
Bath, NY 14810
(607) 776-9631

SUFFOLK—Yaphank Ave.
PO Box 700
Yaphank, NY 11980
(831) 852-4500

SULLIVAN—Gov't. Center
100 North St., PO Box 5012
Monticello, NY 12701-5192
(845) 794-3000 ext. 5024

TIOGA—County Office Bldg
56 Main St., Suite 8
Owego, NY 13827
(607) 687-8261

TOMPKINS—Court House Annex
128 E. Buffalo St.
Ithaca, NY 14850
(607) 274-5521

ULSTER—284 Wall St.
Kingston, NY 12401
(845) 334-5470

WARREN—Warren County
Municipal Center
1340 St. Rte. 9
Lake George, NY 12845-9803
(518) 761-6456

WASHINGTON—383 Broadway
Fort Edward, NY 12828
(518) 746-2180

WAYNE—157 Montezuma St.
Ext., P.O. Box 636
Lyons, NY 14489
(315) 946-7400

WESTCHESTER—25 Quarropas St.
White Plains, NY 10601
(914) 995-5700

WYOMING—78 North Main St.
Warsaw, NY 14569
(716) 786-6931

YATES—County Bldg.
110 Court St., Rm. 102
Penn Yan, NY 14527-1130
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Health Insurance for Your Dependent until Age 26? That Depends

By DAVID SCHEPP Posted 7:00 AM 06/06/10 Economy, Health Care, Insurance

Young adults just graduating from college may have thought they had just one less thing to worry about as they begin new lives -- health insurance. Health-care overhaul legislation, signed into law by President Obama earlier this year, allows adult children to remain on their parents' health plan until age 26. But some of these older dependents are finding that the coverage won't be available as soon as they had thought.

Though the provision that allows parents to keep or add adult-child dependents takes effect in September, some insurers have already begun providing coverage to prevent lapses in coverage. Not all employers, however, are going along in offering the benefit, and there's no requirement that they do so.

Wiggle Room for Employers

The law makes the dependent-coverage extension effective for new health plans that begin on or after Sept. 23. But employers have wiggle room because many group plans have start dates that coincide with the beginning of the year. Rather than modify existing plans now, some companies are choosing to not begin offering extended dependent coverage until Jan. 1, even if their insurer is willing to offer the benefit now. In such a scenario, dependents who lost coverage upon graduating college this spring may find that won't be re-eligible for coverage under the parent's plan until next year.

That's creating a dilemma for many young adults and their parents. Existing state laws, however, may help. Some 25 states require plans to provide coverage for dependent children beyond their teens, says the Kaiser Family Foundation, a health advocacy organization. Though most extend coverage to age 25, others stipulate age 24 or 26, while New Jersey stretches the dependent age to 30. But such coverage may be restrictive, mandating that eligible young adults be unmarried, students, or living in the same state as their parent with private coverage.

The federal law, when it takes effect, is less cumbersome. Dependent children don't have to be students or live with their parents and they can even be married and still be covered by their parent's plan.

Calls by Anxious Parents

Needless to say, the new federal provision has created a lot of confusion. Hewitt Associates (HEW), which helps employers manage employee-benefit programs, saw a rush of calls by anxious parents seeking to add their dependent children when the health-care reform legislation became law March 23, even though no insurer had yet begun offering the benefit.

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Amid the recent push by some insurers to begin offering dependent coverage this month, Hewitt is once again fielding calls from employees wondering when their company will start providing the benefit. "It really is: 'Wait and see'; 'You're going to hear more'; or 'Yes, we're doing it right now,'" says Karen Taylor, health and welfare strategy leader at Hewitt.

Hewitt says its research shows that about 1 million of the employees covered by its book of business are already receiving the benefit, and the company expects that 20% to 25% of employers will adopt the provision ahead of the January deadline.

Individual Insurance Can Be Cheaper

If the benefit isn't yet offered by a parent's employer, Taylor says a student who just lost insurance because he or she graduated, or is no longer eligible because of age, can continue to get coverage under the federal COBRA statute. But, she says, that's expensive. Given their youth, young adults who have lost coverage would probably be better off purchasing insurance on the open market. In general, young people tend not to have significant health problems, she says, "so their insurance coverage can be much lower in the individual market than COBRA."

Another survey by Mercer shows just 6% of the 800 employers the employee-benefits firm polled currently extend coverage to dependent children up to age 26, and only a quarter said they are likely to begin offering the benefit before the Jan. 1 renewal deadline.

Large, self-insured employers are even less likely to act before they have to: Among respondents with 5,000 or more employees, just 16% said they are likely to implement the rule early, Mercer says. Most of the insurance companies that are extending dependent eligibility immediately are giving their group plan customers 30 days to opt out -- and the survey results suggest that most employers will choose to wait.

Big Deal for Employers

Cost is one reason companies aren't implementing the benefit sooner than they have to. "This change is a pretty big deal for employers, with new notification requirements, employee communication and tax implications," says Mercer consultant Tracy Watts. "Not to mention that it would be an immediate, unbudgeted business expense."

Taylor says Hewitt's estimates show that adding adult children will increase employers' health-care costs about 1% to 2%. That may not be an enormous amount of money, but it's relative. "An employer with 40,000 employees is impacted differently than an employer with 300,000, so 1% or 2% can be large depending on who you are," she says.

Furthermore, even an incremental increase in potential costs comes at time when employers are still closely watching their expenses following a drawn-out recession and a decade of year-to-year double-digit increases in health-care costs, Taylor says. "Employers are just trying to make sure that they're offering competitive benefits, and they're doing the right thing."

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