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Relief for Families

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Child Tax Credit ever and historic relief to the most working families ever – and most families will automatically receive monthly payments without having to take any action.

For those with children, the plan increased the Child Tax Credit from \$2,000 per child to \$3,000 per child for children over the age of six and from \$2,000 to \$3,600 for children under the age of six, and raised the age limit from 16 to 17.

All working families will get the full credit if they make up to \$150,000 for a couple or \$112,500 for a family with a single parent (also called Head

of Household).

If you've filed tax returns for 2019 or 2020, or if you signed up to receive a stimulus check from the Internal Revenue Service, you will get this tax relief automatically. Normally, tax relief for the year only comes the following year when you file your taxes, no matter how much you need it now.

This year for the first time, starting in July, monthly payments will be made. For every child 6-17 years old, families will get \$250 each month, and for every child under 6 years old, families will get \$300 each month, officials said.

The 80% who get their re-funds from the IRS through

direct deposit will get these payments in their bank account on the 15th of every month until the end of 2021. People who don't use direct deposit will receive their payment by mail around the same time. If you didn't make enough to be required to file taxes in 2020 or 2019, you can still get benefits.

Officials said low-income families with children are eligible for this crucial tax relief – including those who have not made enough money to be required to file taxes.

Wyden said he wants to make the added child tax relief a long term proposition. At Albina Head Start, he called for extending this tax relief for years and years, supporting President Biden's American Families Plan.

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Obituary

Remembering Cheryl Jennings
 Aug. 27, 1961 - June 27, 2021

Auntie Cheri had a loving kind and gentle spirit. She was generous and giving and will be dearly missed. Viewing is scheduled, Wednesday, July 7 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Zellers Chapel of Roses, 2107 N.E. Broadway.



Get the care you need

Make sure your children are healthy before school starts

The past year has been hard on all of us, as we put on masks and spent more time alone. But now it's time to get the care you and your family need. During the summer — before school starts this fall — is the perfect time to make sure kids are staying healthy. Providers are ready for annual checkups, well-child visits, mental health appointments, dental exams and more. And they offer safe in-person, phone and video options.

All free to Health Share/CareOregon members.



Stay on top of your child's health

Call your child's provider and get the care they need to stay healthy:

- ▶ Schedule their annual checkup to measure growth and get a complete physical exam.
- ▶ Get your child the vaccines they need — staying on schedule is more important than ever.
- ▶ The COVID-19 vaccine is now available to children ages 12 and older.
- ▶ Get developmental screening to make sure your kids are on track.
- ▶ Make sure kids are healthy before they start school and fall sports.
- ▶ Contact their dentist to maintain good oral health. Healthy teeth are vital as children grow.

Call your provider to make an appointment. Or contact CareOregon Customer Service if you have questions.

Reach us 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at 503-416-4100, 800-224-4840 or TTY 711.

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