



## Newborn Delivery Notification Changes for Priority Partners

**Effective Date:** Feb. 1, 2026

**Health Plans Affected:** Priority Partners

**Type of Change:** Newborn Delivery Notification

### Explanation of Change:

The Priority Partners team has noticed a steep decline in the number of newborn delivery notifications we receive. We would like to take this opportunity to review changes to the newborn process with you and to emphasize the critical importance of timely notification to Priority Partners and the Maryland Department of Health (MDH).

MDH recently issued [Transmittal PT 51-26](#), which stated that the eMedicaid portal will sunset on **Feb. 1, 2026**. Since that date has now passed, all newborn submissions must be made through the [MDH Newborn Portal](#) on the Maryland Health Connection landing page.

### Action Required by Priority Partners Providers and Facilities:

#### 1. Timely Notification to Priority Partners

Priority Partners must receive immediate notifications upon delivery. Providers are required to submit the [Newborn Notification Form](#) along with the notification.

#### 2. Hospital Responsibility

It is the responsibility of the hospital to submit the [Newborn Notification Form](#) to the [MDH Newborn Portal](#) at Maryland Health Connection to ensure the baby is added to the system.

#### 3. Access to the [MDH Newborn Portal](#)

- Each Priority Partners hospital and provider should designate a staff member to be responsible for Newborn Portal access and who will send requests for new access or changes to existing access.
- To verify whether a Priority Partners hospital or provider is in the Newborn Portal and the provisioning system, please contact [mdh.newbornportal@maryland.gov](mailto:mdh.newbornportal@maryland.gov).
- Once verified for the Newborn Portal and the provisioning system, users will receive an email from [identity@mdthink.maryland.gov](mailto:identity@mdthink.maryland.gov) with the subject line "New Account Information for the Newborn Portal." This email contains the portal login credentials. Users can then login to the [Newborn Portal](#).
- eMedicaid login credentials cannot be used to access the Newborn Portal on the Maryland Health Connection website.

If you have any questions or need further clarification, please contact [mdh.newbornportal@maryland.gov](mailto:mdh.newbornportal@maryland.gov) or review [Transmittal PT 51-26](#).