

COVA Care

**Notification of Changes to Your Member Handbook
Effective July 1, 2011
Commonwealth of Virginia Health Benefits Program**

Keep this notification with your 2011 COVA Care Member Handbook. It includes a section that was omitted in error from your handbook. You also may obtain the most current complete COVA Care Member Handbook from the DHRM Web site at www.dhrm.virginia.gov.

1) The eligibility information shown in the shaded area below is included under Documentation Requirements in the Eligibility, Enrollment and Changes section of the member handbook.

Dependents	Eligibility Definition	Documentation Required
<p>Other Female or Male Child</p>	<p>An unmarried child in which a court has ordered the employee (and/or the employee's legal spouse) to assume sole permanent custody may be covered until the end of the year in which he or she turns age 26 if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The principal place of residence is with the employee; ✓ they are a member of the employee's household; ✓ they receive over one-half of their support from the employee and ✓ the custody was awarded prior to the child's 18th birthday. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Photocopy of birth certificate and ➤ Photocopy of the Final Court Order granting permanent custody with presiding judge's signature.
<p>Other Female or Male Child - Exception</p>	<p>If the employee (or employee's spouse) shares custody with their minor child who is the parent of an "other female or male child", then that "other child" may also be covered if the other child, the minor child (who is the parent), and the employee's spouse (if applicable)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ all live in the same household as the employee ✓ both children are unmarried and ✓ both children received over one-half of their support from the employee. <p>The minor child must meet all of the eligibility requirements for a dependent child. Once the minor child turns 18, the employee or spouse if applicable, must receive sole custody of the other child.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Photocopy of the other child's birth certificate showing the name of the minor child as the parent of the other child ➤ Photocopy of the birth certificate (or adoptive agreement) for the minor child showing the name of the employee and ➤ Photocopy of the Final Court Order with presiding judge's signature.