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Louisiana Medicaid to Cut United Healthcare

Louisiana has cut ties with United Healthcare as one of its six Medicaid providers, which means more than 300,000 patients insured by the company must be moved to other plans before Jan. 1, 2026.

About 330,000 of Louisiana's 1.4 million Medicaid enrollees are covered by United Healthcare.

The Louisiana Illuminator was first to report the state's decision not to renew its $4.2 billion contract with United Healthcare.

Louisiana Department of Health officials will reassign those currently insured by United within two weeks, the agency said.

In a statement to USA Today Network, the agency said United patients won't lose coverage or access to care.

"The department is making preparations to distribute current membership to other plans, and we have total confidence that these plans will meet this moment to ensure a successful continuity of care for these members by maintaining access to care to physicians, hospitals and all other Medicaid services across the state," the agency said.