

The Commonwealth of Kentucky  
**kynect State-Based Marketplace**



**kynect benefits Prescreening Tool  
Quick Reference Guide**

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**Introduction**

This Quick Reference Guide is intended to instruct users how to navigate the kynect benefits Prescreening Tool and the Browse Plans feature.

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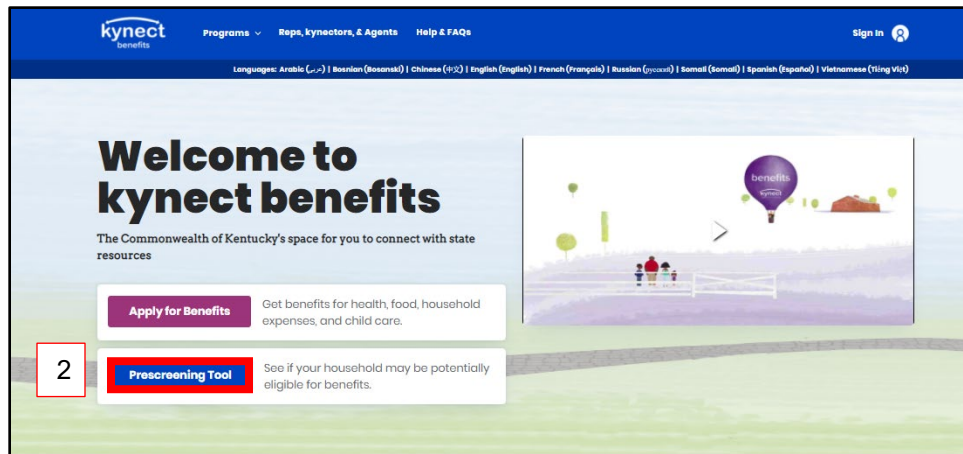
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## 1 kynect benefits Prescreening Tool Overview

The kynect benefits Prescreening Tool allows Residents to anonymously enter information to check potential eligibility across Health Assistance (Medicaid and Kentucky Children’s Health Insurance Program), Food Assistance (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), Financial Assistance for Families with Children (Kentucky Transitional Assistance Program), Child Care Assistance (Child Care Assistance Program), and Health Insurance Premium Payment Assistance (Kentucky Integrated Health Premium Payment Program). The Prescreening Tool is not an application and does not guarantee eligibility. To determine eligibility for any program a full benefits application must be completed.

## 2 kynect benefits Prescreening Tool

1. Navigate to the kynect benefits website at [kynect.ky.gov/benefits](https://kynect.ky.gov/benefits).
2. Click **Prescreening Tool** to view prescreening information.




3. After reviewing the prescreening information, check the **box** to confirm the Resident is not a robot.
4. Click **Start Prescreening Tool**.

The Prescreening Tool is not an application. The results do not guarantee you will or will not be eligible for benefits. You need to complete a full benefits application in order to determine eligibility for any program.

We will check potential eligibility across the following:

1. Health Assistance
2. Food Assistance
3. Financial Assistance for Families with Children
4. Child Care Assistance
5. Health Insurance Premium Payment

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**Basic Eligibility requirements for all programs:**

- You must be a resident of Kentucky
- You must be a US citizen or qualified immigrant

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[Exit](#)  I'm not a robot  [Start Prescreening tool](#)

## 2.1 Section 1: Household Details Screen

The **Household details** screen asks about the number of people in the household and situations that apply to the household.

5. Enter the **Number** for *How many people are in the household?*
6. Click **Yes** or **No** for *Are there any children age 18 years old or younger in the household?*
7. Click **Yes** or **No** for *Is anyone in the household pregnant?*

The screenshot shows the 'Household details' screen in the 'PRESCREENING TOOL'. The page header includes the 'kynect benefits' logo, navigation links for 'Programs', 'Reps, kynectors, & Agents', and 'Help & FAQs', and a 'Sign In' button. A language selection bar is visible below the header. The main content area is titled 'Household details' and indicates 'Section 1 of 3'. Below this, a prompt asks to 'Complete the questions below about the household's members.' Three questions are listed, each with a red box around the question number and the question text:

- 5. How many people are in the household? (Text input field)
- 6. Are there any children age 18 years old or younger in the household? (Buttons for 'Yes' and 'No')
- 7. Is anyone in the household pregnant? (Buttons for 'Yes' and 'No')

8. Click **Yes** or **No** for *Is anyone in the household a migrant or seasonal farm worker?*
9. Click **Yes** or **No** for *Is anyone in the household age 60 or older, blind, or disabled?*
  - a. If **Yes**, click **Yes** or **No** for *Is anyone in the household receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI)?*
  - b. If **Yes**, click **Yes** or **No** for *Is anyone in the household receiving Long Term Care (LTC) services, such as through waiver or a nursing facility?*
  - c. If **Yes**, click **Yes** or **No** for *Is anyone in the household receiving Medicare?*
10. Click **Yes** or **No** for *Does anyone in this household have an employer that offers healthcare coverage?*
  - a. If **Yes**, enter the **Number** for *How much is the monthly premium that is paid towards the healthcare coverage?*
  - b. If **Yes**, enter the **Number** for *How many members are enrolled in the policy?*
11. Click **Next** to proceed to **Section 2** of the kynect benefits Prescreening Tool.

The screenshot displays a digital form with three questions, each with a red-bordered box around the question text and its corresponding 'Yes' and 'No' buttons. The question numbers 8, 9, and 10 are also enclosed in red-bordered boxes. At the bottom of the form, there are four navigation buttons: 'Back' (light blue), 'Exit' (light blue), '11' (white with a red border), and 'Next' (purple with a red border).

8 Is anyone in the household a migrant or seasonal farm worker?

9 Is anyone in the household age 60 or older, blind or disabled?

10 Does anyone in this household have an employer that offers healthcare coverage?

## 2.2 Section 2: Income and Resource Details Screen

The **Income and Resource Details** screen asks about the household's monthly gross income and current financial situation.

12. Enter the **Number** for *What is the household's combined monthly gross income (income before taxes) from working and other sources?*
13. Enter the **Number** for *How much does the household have in checking/saving accounts and cash on hand?*
14. Click **Next** to proceed to **Section 3** of the kynect benefits Prescreening Tool.

The screenshot displays the 'Income & Resource Details' screen within the 'kynect benefits' interface. The page title is 'PRESCREENING TOOL' and the section is 'Income & Resource Details'. A progress indicator shows 'Section 2 of 3'. Below the title, there is a prompt: 'Complete the questions below about the household's income and resources.' Two questions are listed, each with a corresponding input field:

- Question 12: 'What is the household's combined monthly gross income (income before taxes) from working and other sources?' with a text input field starting with a '\$' symbol.
- Question 13: 'How much does the household have in checking/saving accounts and cash on hand?' with a text input field starting with a '\$' symbol.

At the bottom of the screen, there are four buttons: 'Back', 'Exit', '14', and 'Next'. The 'Next' button is highlighted with a red border, indicating it is the next step to proceed to Section 3.

## 2.3 Section 3: Expense Details Screen

The **Expense Details** screen asks about the household's current expenses.

15. Enter the **Number** for *How much is the household's combined monthly shelter expense, such as rent or mortgage?*
16. Click **Yes** or **No** for *Does the household pay for heating or cooling separate from rent or mortgage?*
  - a. If **No**, click **Yes** or **No** for *Is the house billed for more than one utility expense?*
17. Enter the **Number** for *How much is the household's combined monthly child care and/or dependent care expense?*
18. Enter the **Number** for *How much is the household's combined monthly child support expense for children who are not part of the household?*
19. Click **Submit** to submit the kynect benefits Prescreening Tool.

The screenshot displays the 'Expense Details' section of the 'PRESCREENING TOOL'. It includes a progress indicator for 'Section 3 of 3' and instructions to 'Complete the questions below about the household's expenses.' The questions are:

- 15**: How much is the household's combined monthly shelter expense, such as rent or mortgage? (Text input field with a dollar sign icon)
- 16**: Does the household pay for heating or cooling separate from rent or mortgage? (Buttons for 'Yes' and 'No')
- 17**: How much is the household's combined monthly child care and/or dependent care expense? (Text input field with a dollar sign icon)
- 18**: How much is the household's combined monthly child support expense for children who are not part of household? (Text input field with a dollar sign icon)

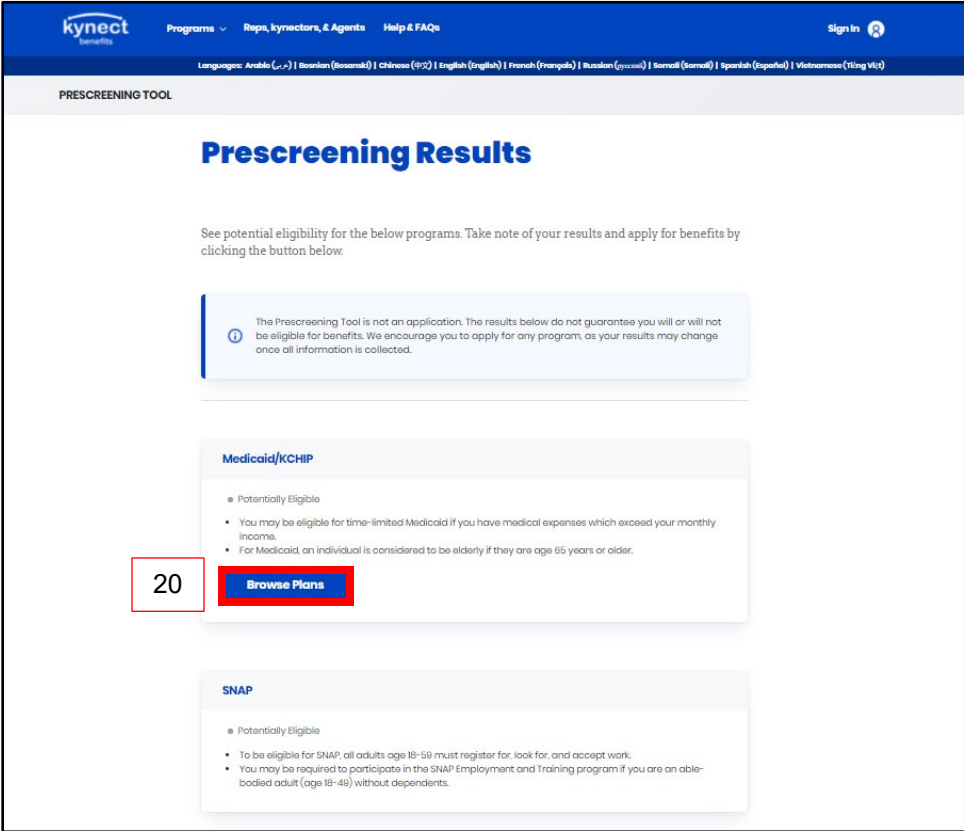
At the bottom of the screen, there are four buttons: 'Back', 'Exit', '19', and 'Submit'.



## 2.4 Prescreening Results Screen

Potential eligibility results display after submitting the kynect benefits Prescreening Tool. From here, Residents may anonymously browse plans or submit a formal benefits application.

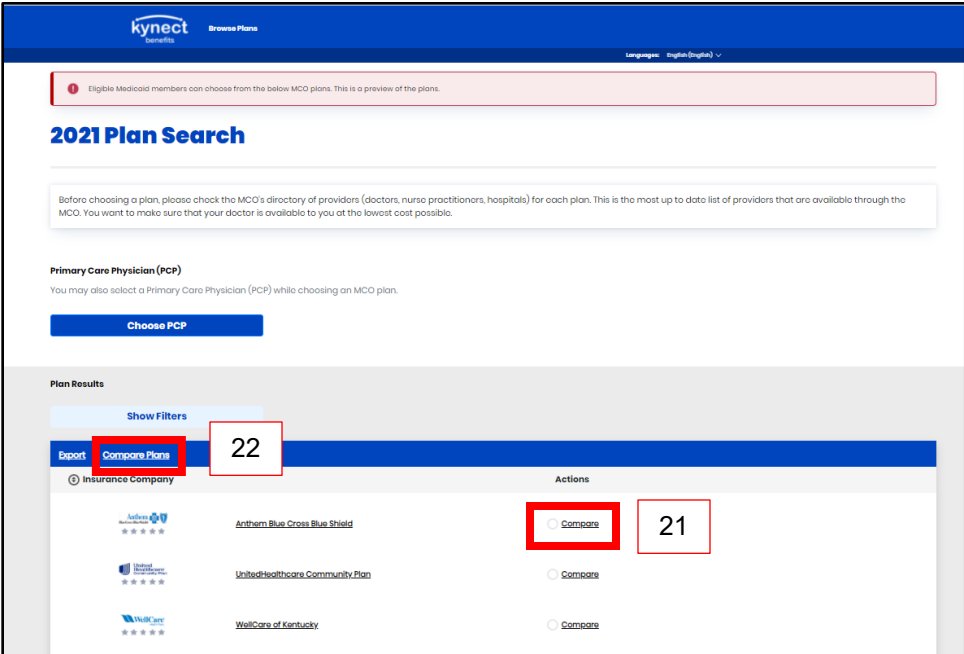
20. Click **Browse Plans** to view plans and prices on the **Plan Search** screen.



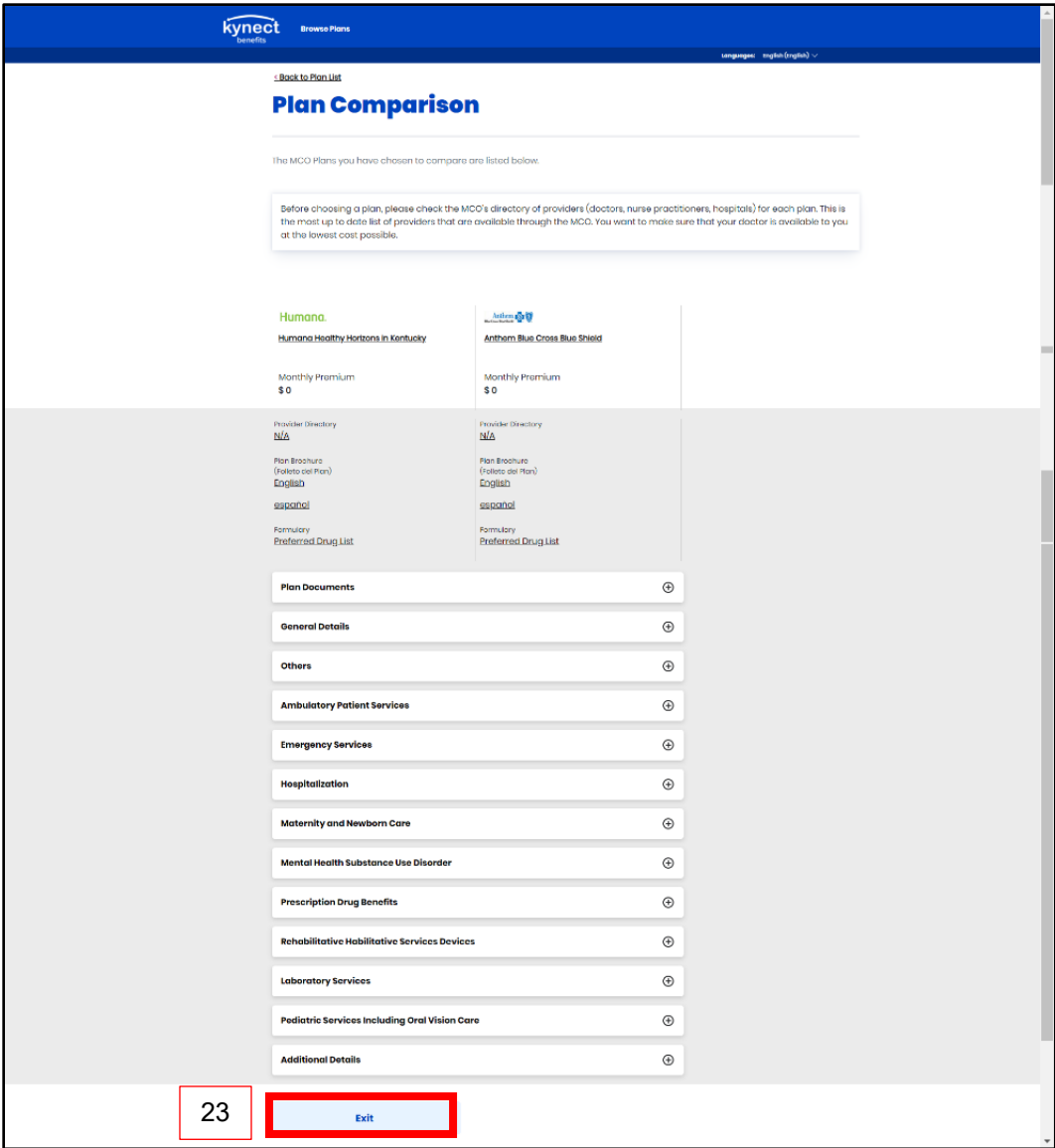
### 2.5 Browse and Compare Plans

The Browse Plans feature allows users to search for and compare Managed Care Organization (MCO) plans.

- 21. Click **Compare** to select a plan to compare.
- 22. Click **Compare Plans** to compare the selected plans.



23. Compare the selected plans. Click **Exit** to return to the **Plan Search** screen.



**Please note:** To receive benefits, users must complete a full benefits application by clicking **Apply for Benefits** at the bottom of the **Prescreening Results** screen.