

Pennie Rebalancing Talking Points:

- The American Rescue Plan, also known as the COVID-19 relief package, includes significant savings for Pennsylvanians seeking individual market coverage and those already enrolled in coverage through Pennie. The American Rescue Plan includes an increase in the eligibility for, and the amount of, premium tax credits for Pennsylvanians at all income levels during the 2021 and 2022 plan years.
- The American Rescue Plan is providing Pennie customers an increase in financial assistance, like advance premium tax credits (APTC). These savings are being retroactively applied from the date of enrollment in 2021. This means if a customer has been enrolled through Pennie all year, these savings will start from January 1, 2021.
- Due to these savings being retroactively applied, Pennie customers may have significantly lower premiums now and through the end of year due to the full year of savings they are owed in 2021 as a result of the American Rescue Plan.
- To ensure customers are able to apply the full amount of financial assistance they are entitled to, Pennie will be evenly distributing the savings they are owed into their remaining monthly payments for the year. This means customers will see an increase in financial assistance through the end of this year because of this additional benefit.
- For customers at qualifying income levels, this could mean low-cost or no-cost payments for the rest of the year.
- If customers are still owed money by the end of 2021, they will see the rest of the money owed to them when they file their 2021 taxes in the form of a tax refund. They will however see the original savings from the American Rescue Plan in 2022. Because these extra subsidies catch you up for a full year over a portion of the year, next year's subsidies may be lower; and their premium may be higher (all else equal).
- Customers can learn more about this topic by viewing Pennie's [FAQs](#) at [pennie.com](#).

I heard the American Rescue Plan was effective retroactively to January 1; will I get the Advanced Premium Tax Credits (APTC) owed to me for the first months of 2021 before the law passed?

Yes. Pennie will maximize the Advanced Premium Tax Credits (APTC) you are eligible for throughout the year to lower your monthly premiums, to the extent possible. To do this, Pennie will apply any owed APTC that you did not take for the months prior to implementation of the American Rescue Plan by evenly distributing the remaining APTC to your remaining monthly premiums through December. You can expect to see this additional APTC applied to your account starting in June. Any additional tax credits owed at the end of the year will be available to you through a tax refund when you file your federal tax return.

Also See:

[Advanced Premium Tax Credit \(APTC\) – pennie help](#)

How does APTC owed to me under the American Rescue Plan get distributed throughout the remainder of the year?

Under the American Rescue Plan (ARP), you may qualify for additional advance premium tax credits (APTC) to further lower the cost of health coverage through Pennie. It is important to Pennie that you are able to apply the full amount of your Advanced Premium Tax Credits (APTC) to lower your monthly premiums. This includes the American Rescue Plan (ARP) enhanced benefits that are retroactive to January 1, 2021.

Starting in July, Pennie will apply any past APTC owed to you due to ARP by applying the difference between the total amount of APTC you are now eligible for, and the APTC you have already used, evenly across your monthly premiums through the end of year. Any additional tax credits owed at the end of the year that were not applied to your current enrollment will be available to you through a tax refund when you file your 2021 federal tax return.