



Medicaid Updates

April 2023



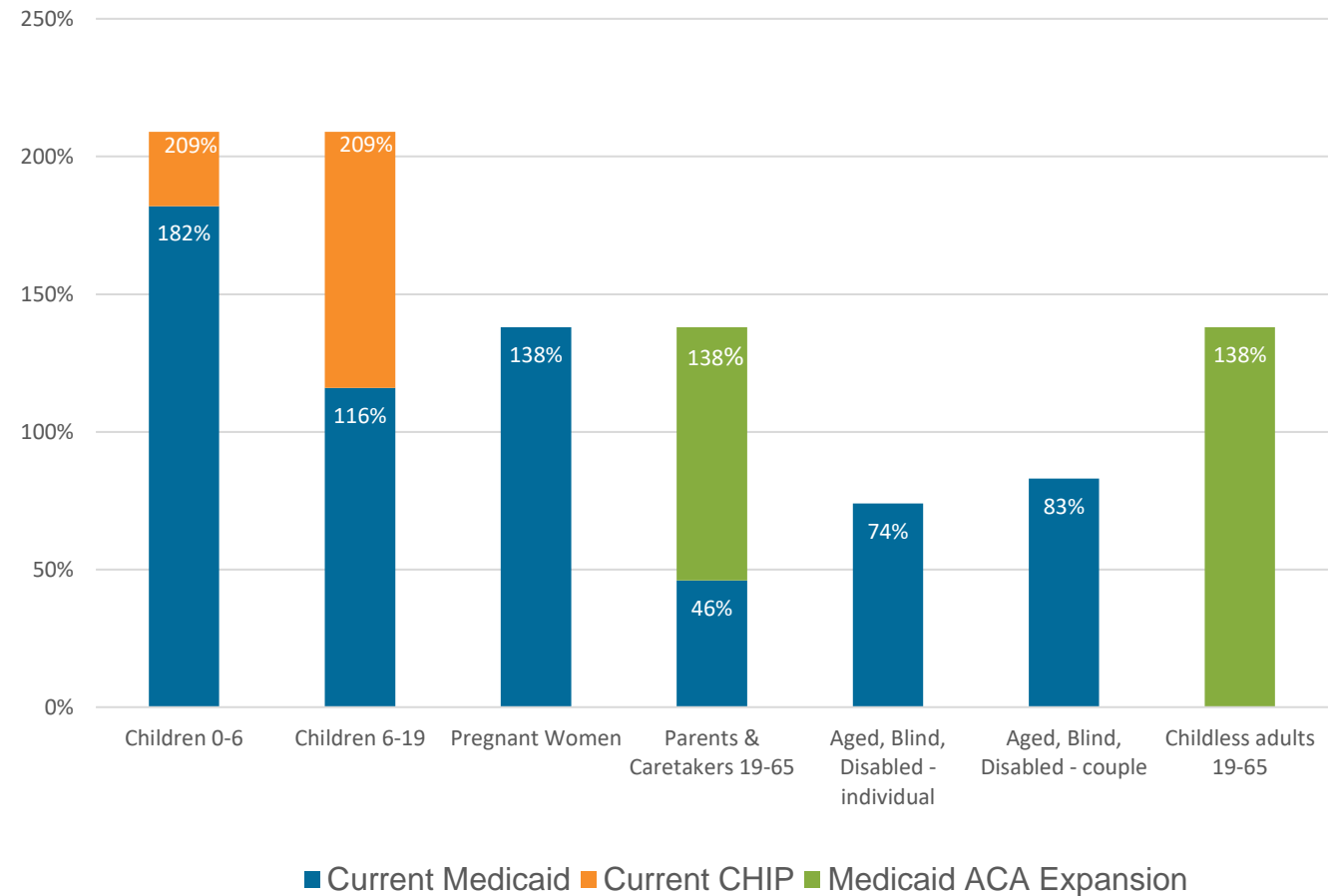
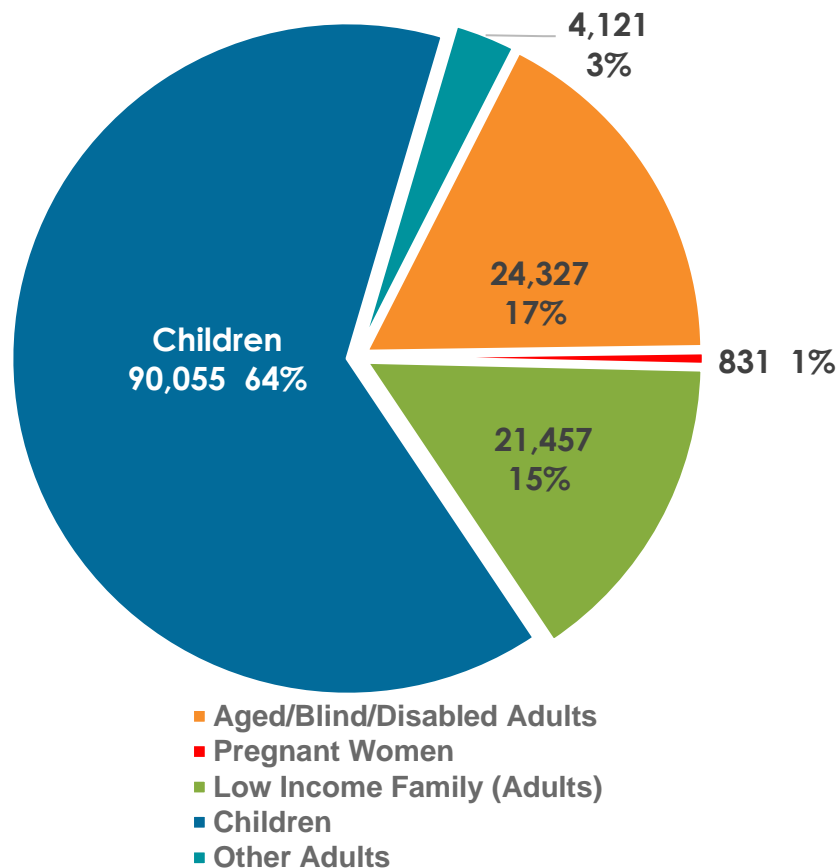
Medicaid Expansion

Medicaid Expansion Overview

- South Dakota voters approved Constitutional Amendment D in November 2022.
- Under Constitutional Amendment D, adults ages 19 to 64 with incomes up to 138% of the federal poverty level will be eligible to enroll in Medicaid.
- Two key dates in the Constitutional Amendment:
 - Requires coverage effective July 1, 2023.
 - Requires DSS to submit amendments to the Medicaid State Plan in March 2023.
- DSS estimates approximately 52,000 individuals will be eligible for Medicaid Expansion in South Dakota.
- The SFY 2024 Budget includes:
 - \$578.9 million to fund the benefit and administrative costs for Medicaid Expansion.
 - 68 FTE for the Department of Social Services

Medicaid Today & Medicaid Expansion

SFY2022: 140,791
Average Monthly Eligible



Federal Poverty Level & DSS Programs

2023 CALENDAR YEAR FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES							
Annual Amount at Various Income Percentage Levels							
Family Size	100%	130%	138%	182%	185%	200%	209%
1	\$14,580	\$18,954	\$20,120	\$26,536	\$26,973	\$29,160	\$30,472
2	\$19,720	\$25,636	\$27,214	\$35,890	\$36,482	\$39,440	\$41,215
3	\$24,860	\$32,318	\$34,307	\$45,245	\$45,991	\$49,720	\$51,957
4	\$30,000	\$39,000	\$41,400	\$54,600	\$55,500	\$60,000	\$62,700
5	\$35,140	\$45,682	\$48,493	\$63,955	\$65,009	\$70,280	\$73,443
6	\$40,280	\$52,364	\$55,586	\$73,310	\$74,518	\$80,560	\$84,185
7	\$45,420	\$59,046	\$62,680	\$82,664	\$84,027	\$90,840	\$94,928
8	\$50,560	\$65,728	\$69,773	\$92,019	\$93,536	\$101,120	\$105,670

South Dakota

Medicaid Expansion	138%
Medicaid Children	182%
CHIP Children's Health Insurance Program	209%
SNAP	130%
LIEAP	200%
Child Care	209%
Community Behavioral Health	185%



Adult Expansion Eligibility Criteria

- Aged 19 through 64
- Income below 133% of the Federal Poverty Limit for 2023
- Not entitled to or enrolled in Medicare (Part A or B)
- Not otherwise eligible for or enrolled in another aid category



Application Process

The application process will not change. Adults who may be eligible for this group may begin applying in June 2023 for coverage July 1, 2023.

Medicaid
Expansion
Application
Process

Welcome!



Find your local office



Contact us



Apply Online



Applications are available:

1. **Online:** <http://dss.sd.gov/applyonline>
2. **DSS website:** <http://dss.sd.gov/formsandpubs/>
3. **All Department of Social Services offices**
4. **Most South Dakota Medicaid providers**

Application Process

The application process for Medicaid can be done entirely by mail or online. No interview is required.

An application for one Medicaid program is considered an application for all programs.

SSI recipients are automatically eligible for the South Dakota Medicaid program and do not need to apply.

Individuals can reapply at any time.

Benefits

- Constitutional Amendment D states that Medicaid expansion enrollees “shall receive coverage that meets or exceeds the benchmark or benchmark-equivalent coverage requirements, as such terms are defined by federal law as of January 1, 2021.”
- South Dakota’s [benchmark plan](#) is established by the South Dakota Division of Insurance. Benchmark plan covered services for adults include the 10 essential health benefits for expansion.
- The current Medicaid benefit package includes the 10 essential health benefit categories in the benchmark plan as well as additional services for adults such as adult dental, adult optometry and eyeglasses, and non-emergency medical transportation.

Essential Health Benefits

1. Outpatient care, such as services delivered in ambulatory care settings
2. Emergency services
3. Hospitalizations, such as surgery and overnight stays
4. Pregnancy, maternity, and newborn care both before and after birth
5. Mental health and substance use disorder services, including behavioral health treatment
6. Prescription drugs
7. Rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices
8. Laboratory services
9. Preventive services, wellness services, and chronic disease management
10. Pediatric services, including oral and vision care

Medicaid Expansion Benefits, Providers, and Rates

- **Medicaid Expansion recipients will have the same benefit package and coverage as traditional adult Medicaid recipients.**
 - Medicaid Expansion recipients will be subject to the same service limits, coverage criteria, and prior authorization requirements as traditional adult Medicaid recipients.
 - Coverage will be consistent as individuals move between coverage groups.
- Medicaid Expansion recipients will use the same providers as traditional Medicaid. Medicaid providers will **not** have to make enrollment changes to see Medicaid Expansion recipients. Medicaid providers can start seeing Medicaid Expansion recipients on July 1, 2023.
- Medicaid Expansion will use the same reimbursement rates as traditional Medicaid. Payments to providers will **not** change.

Care Management Programs



Primary Care Case Management: PCP Program

- The Primary Care Provider Program (PCP) is designed to improve access to medical care for Medicaid recipients as well as improve the quality of care they receive by giving them a medical home.
- Recipients either choose or are assigned a Primary Care Provider (PCP). This allows the recipient and their physician to develop a relationship in which the best medical care can be provided. South Dakota Medicaid allows Medicaid recipients to change their PCP at any time for any reason.
- Individuals in the PCP program receive primary care services from their PCP and require a referral from their PCP for non-emergent specialty and hospital services. This ensures the PCP acts as a medical home and assists Medicaid recipients in coordinating care.

Health Home Program

- The Health Home Program offers enhanced services to Medicaid recipients with chronic medical or behavioral health conditions. The Health Home Program provides 6 core services designed to reduce inpatient hospitalization and ER visits, increase integration between primary care and behavioral health services, and enhance transitional care between institutions and community-based care.
- Individuals are enrolled in the Health Home program based on claims data or provider referral.

Medicaid Expansion recipients will participate in the PCP and Health Home Programs on the same basis as traditional adult Medicaid recipients.

Cost Sharing

Cost sharing is a small portion of a medical bill, often called a co-insurance or co-pay. Cost sharing is limited to 5% of a household's income.

Medicaid Expansion recipients will have the same cost sharing as traditional adult Medicaid recipients.

Services Exempt from Cost Sharing

- True emergency services
- Family planning services and supplies
- Services relating to a pregnancy, postpartum condition, a condition caused by the pregnancy, or a condition that may complicate the pregnancy;
- Provider-preventable services
- Laboratory services
- Psychiatric inpatient and rehabilitation services;
- Radiological services; and
- Substance use disorder treatment.

Individuals Exempt from Cost Sharing

- Children under age 21;
- Individuals receiving hospice care;
- Individuals residing in a long-term care facility or receiving home and community-based services;
- American Indians who have ever received an item or service furnished by an Indian Health Services (IHS) provider or through referral under contract health services; and
- Individuals eligible for Medicaid through the Breast and Cervical Cancer program.

Customer Support

DSS is taking action to get ready for Medicaid Expansion by:

- Streamlining coverage;
- Reusing existing enrollment processes;
- Publishing income eligibility standards for the new Adult Group alongside other Medicaid Eligibility Information;
- Creating Fact Sheets for the stakeholders and the public about Eligibility, Covered Services, Benefits and Operational Costs, and Expansion Overview;
- Highlighting key resources on a single page on the dss.sd.gov;
- Hosting webinars for providers, stakeholders, and the public in May and June 2023;
- Providing education and resources to tribes at Medicaid Tribal Consultation and CMS In-Person trainings;
- Creating a FAQ of questions from providers, stakeholders and the public;
- Updating Medicaid eligibility and claims processing systems for Expansion; and
- Updating Medicaid provider manuals and Recipient Handbook with Expansion information.



Questions?

dss.sd.gov



605-773-3495



sarah.aker@state.sd.us

