The Value of Medicaid

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Affordable, quality health care. For everyone.
Medicaid: What You Need To Know

- Comprehensive coverage and strong financial protections
- Critical support to safety net health providers and systems
- Major source of federal resources to states
- Facilitates and often leads state-level delivery system reform
Adults with Medicaid Reported Getting Recommended Preventive Care Services at Higher Rates Than Those Who Were Uninsured

Percent of adults ages 19–64

- Private coverage, insured all year
- Medicaid coverage, insured all year
- Uninsured during the year

Note: Blood pressure checked in past two years (in past year if has hypertension or high blood pressure); cholesterol checked in past five years (in past year if has hypertension, heart disease, or high cholesterol); seasonal flu shot in past 12 months.

* Difference is statistically significant from those with private coverage who were insured all year (p ≤ 0.05).

^ Difference is statistically significant from those who were uninsured during the year (p ≤ 0.05). Percentages were adjusted for age, race, sex, health status, and income.

Most Adults With Medicaid Coverage Continue to Be Satisfied with It

Overall, how satisfied are you with your health insurance?

Percent of adults ages 19–64 who are currently enrolled in marketplace coverage or have had Medicaid since expansion*

* For 2014 we included adults who had Medicaid for less than one year, for 2015 we included adults who had Medicaid for less than two years, and for 2016 we include adults who have had Medicaid for less than three years.

Note: Segments may not sum to indicated total because of rounding.

As Medicaid coverage expands, safety net uninsured and uncompensated care liability decreases, with little change in Medicare or private insurance.

Source: HRSA Health Center Program Grantee Data, reporting years 2010 and 2014; America’s Essential Hospitals Annual Survey 2010 and 2014.
Medicaid facilitates state-level delivery system reform

State Medicaid Programs with Active Medical Home Initiatives

Source: NASHP State Delivery System and Payment Reform Map
Assessing Innovations in Medicaid

The Medicaid program represents the largest share of federal revenue to states (54.3%) and is the largest single state expenditure.