

VERMONT MEDICAID FACTS

Who is covered in Vermont's Medicaid Program? ELIGIBILITY GROUPS

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Dual Eligibles



Incarcerated++



Undocumented Immigrants⁺



Children (0-18 years)*

Current and Former Foster Care Children*

Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives*

Pregnant Women*

Aged, Blind, Disabled Adults*

Disabled Children*

Qualified Non-Citizens* **

Newly Eligible Adults*

American Indians/ Alaskan Natives*

> Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities*

- * Eligibility groups are covered through primary care case management.
- ** Qualified non-citizens are subject to a 5-year waiting requirement, except for children up to 18 years of age and pregnant women.
- + Emergency Medicaid services only.
- ++ Acute inpatient hospitalization covered only.

Do Medicaid health plans provide coverage?*7



YES



NO

* Excludes statewide ACO option.

Important News

October 2016 - Vermont's voluntary all-payer accountable care organization (ACO) model was announced to begin in January 2017. Vermont's ACO model will require Medicare, Medicaid, and commercial payers to pay similar rates for all services.⁸

January 2017 - Vermont established its first Accountable Care Organization (ACO), OneCare, through a one-year pilot program. This ACO, under the all-payer ACO model, is expected to cover 30,000 Medicaid beneficiaries the first year and create a system that rewards value, meaning low-cost, high-quality care. Plans to expand the model between 2018 and 2022 will extend coverage to approximately 102,000 of Vermont's Medicaid, Medicare, and Commercial Exchange beneficiaries. This program may qualify for Advanced Alternative Model bonus payments

Alternative Model bonus payments starting in 2018 from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.¹¹

How has Vermont's Medicaid program engaged in Managed Care?

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The **Vermont global commitment to health** waiver was created to "use a multi-disciplinary approach, including the basic principles of public health, the fundamentals of effective administration of a Medicaid managed care delivery system, public-private partnership, and program flexibility" for the state Medicaid program.

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APPROVAL: 9/27/2005

EXPIRATION: 12/31/2021





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How is Vermont meeting the needs of Medicaid enrollees?

Value-Based Healthcare Initiatives

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Vermont's Hub and Spokes health homes program creates a coordinated, systemic response to the complex issues of opioid addiction among Vermont's Medicaid population, focusing specifically on medication assisted therapy (MAT) for individuals with opioid dependence.¹³

Family Planning

Covered family planning services include birth control and counseling.³

The Vermont Health Access Plan covers uninsured (ineligible for Medicaid) men and women up to 200% of the federal poverty level (FPL) who are not currently pregnant for limited family planning services. These services include birth control, annual exams, sexually transmitted infection (STI) testing and treatment, and patient education and counseling.¹⁴



Women's Health¹⁵

Covered women's health services include prenatal and postpartum care, delivery, and inpatient services for maternity care.

Behavioral Health

Medicaid benefits vary by region and plan. However, Vermont has state mandated services that every plan must offer its Medicaid enrollees. The mental health services include: ¹⁶



Mental/behavioral health inpatient and outpatient services



Substance use disorder inpatient and outpatient services



Outpatient rehabilitation services



Covered drug therapies: methadone, naltrexone, naloxone, acamprosate, and disulfiram¹⁷



Oral Health¹⁸

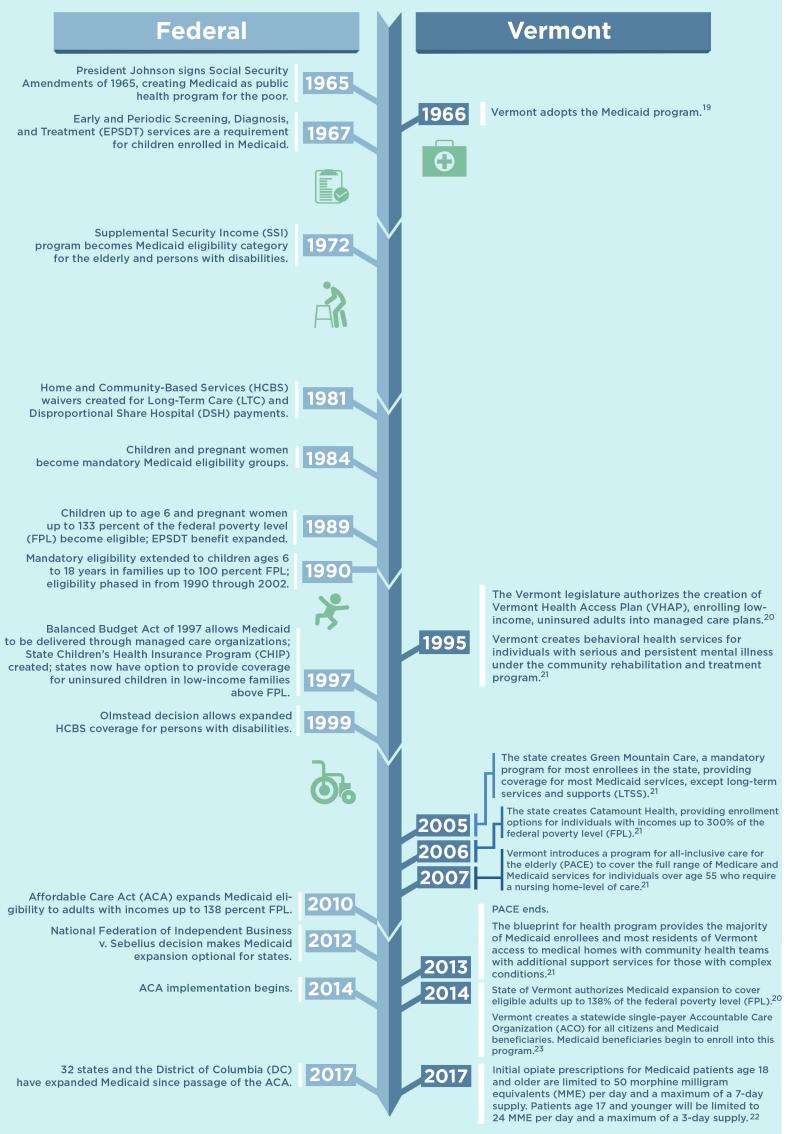
Adults covered by Vermont's Medicaid program are eligible to receive oral health benefits up to \$495 per calendar year. Children do not have a maximum limit for oral health benefits.







Timeline





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