



CABINET FOR HEALTH
AND FAMILY SERVICES

Obtaining Blood Pressure Monitoring Supplies from Medicaid

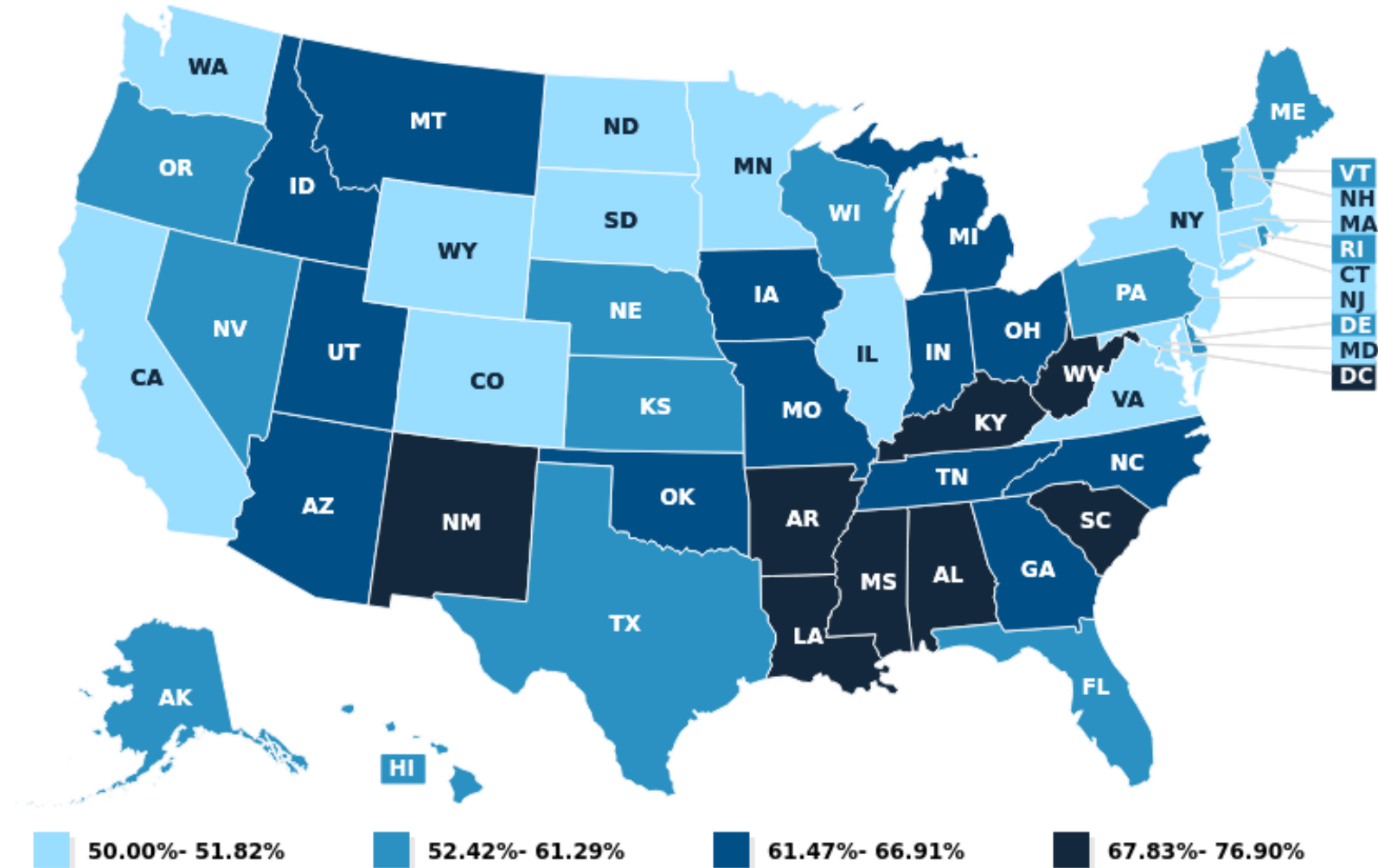
Medicaid

- Largest program that provides medical and health-related services to low-income individuals
- Governed by Title XIX of the Social Security Act
- Partnership between federal government and states
- Federal government sets broad guidelines:
 - Populations, Mandatory and Optional
 - Benefits, Mandatory and Optional
 - Guaranteed minimum of 50% match for qualified services
- State responsible for administering program and has some flexibility regarding:
 - Enrollment Eligibility
 - Covered Services
 - Provider Payment Methodology and Rate
 - Care Delivery

Kentucky Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP)

- Traditional Medicaid
 - Benefits: 71.48%
 - Administration – 50%
 - Personnel – 50%
 - Nurses – 75%
 - Information Technology
 - 90% for Design and development
 - 75% for Maintenance and Operations
- Expansion Population Benefits – 90%
- KCHIP Benefits and Administration – 80.04%
- Based on State's Per Capita Income
- States with Lower Per Capita Income Have Higher FMAP

Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) for Medicaid and Multiplier: FMAP Percentage, FY 2026



SOURCE: KFF's State Health Facts.

Kentucky Medicaid at a Glance

Approximately 1.4 million members

Over 600,000 children – more than half of the children in Kentucky (includes KCHIP)

485,000 expansion members

Over 69,000 enrolled providers

\$18.5 billion in total SFY 2024 expenditures (Administrative and Benefits combined)

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

Division of Quality & Population Health

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Division of Long-Term Services & Supports

Division of Fiscal Management

Division of Health Care Policy

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Division of Information Systems



MEDICAID POPULATIONS

Aetna - plus SKY for foster population

Humana

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United Healthcare

WellCare

Fee for Service (FFS)

- Long-term care
- Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)
- Home and Community Based (HCB) 1915(c) waivers
- Intellectual or developmental disabilities
- Receive supports to remain in their home or community
 - Personal care supports
 - Activities of daily living

Managed Care Organization (MCO)

- **Predominantly children and adults other than elderly or individuals with disabilities**
- **Must cover all services outlined in Medicaid regulations and state plan**
- **Can negotiate rates with providers**
- **Flexibilities to deliver value-added services**
- **Some provide transportation to job interviews, educational classes or other services not covered under Medicaid NEMT**

Medicaid Spend by Provider Type SFY2024 – Top 20

Provider Type Description	Claim Count	Members Served	FFS Paid Amount	MCO Paid Amount	Total Paid Amount	% Paid out of Total
Hospital	3,906,400	987,335	\$274,275,628.14	\$3,539,748,410.44	\$3,814,024,038.58	26.47%
Pharmacy	26,018,007	1,196,417	\$127,032,826.76	\$2,919,016,302.28	\$3,046,049,129.04	21.14%
Nursing Facility	400,467	24,797	\$1,398,629,121.92	\$477,268.30	\$1,399,106,390.22	9.71%
Support for Community Living (SCL)	2,242,773	16,233	\$915,135,186.74	\$2,264,820.25	\$917,400,006.99	6.37%
Physician - Group	8,769,212	1,133,162	\$33,020,490.26	\$633,953,602.65	\$666,974,092.91	4.63%
Adult Day Care	1,907,837	16,661	\$582,529,984.27	\$0.00	\$582,529,984.27	4.04%
Primary Care Center/Federally Qualified Health Ctr	4,967,148	469,949	\$351,854,628.03	\$106,573,844.16	\$458,428,472.19	3.18%
Behavioral Health Service Organization (BHSO)	2,623,595	69,869	\$3,673,414.07	\$426,396,418.06	\$430,069,832.13	2.98%
Rural Health Clinic	5,317,533	467,868	\$289,800,402.19	\$124,545,015.42	\$414,345,417.61	2.88%
Behavioral Health Multi-Specialty Group	2,491,282	139,925	\$11,899,238.98	\$309,510,376.27	\$321,409,615.25	2.23%
MSEA Supplier	1,023,873	198,411	\$36,193,134.96	\$149,135,095.29	\$185,328,230.25	1.29%
ICF/IID	6,359	440	\$169,823,539.91	\$0.00	\$169,823,539.91	1.18%
Net (Capitation)	3,562,782	57,355	\$0.00	\$164,672,446.42	\$164,672,446.42	1.14%
Psychiatric Hospital	21,976	13,321	\$4,235,641.44	\$143,185,395.34	\$147,421,036.78	1.02%
Certified Nurse practitioner	2,474,910	683,710	\$7,032,890.67	\$132,494,973.40	\$139,527,864.07	0.97%
Community Mental Health Center	1,069,782	71,990	\$5,164,716.32	\$126,717,047.94	\$131,881,764.26	0.92%
Independent Laboratory	1,663,247	465,613	\$3,146,289.64	\$125,657,831.57	\$128,804,121.21	0.89%
Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic	919,613	49,997	\$65,678,700.39	\$51,607,673.28	\$117,286,373.67	0.81%
Dental - Group	447,749	234,973	\$2,885,582.99	\$103,192,145.69	\$106,077,728.68	0.74%
Dentist - Individual	456,727	238,264	\$1,098,050.44	\$103,821,736.74	\$104,919,787.18	0.73%

Kentucky Medicaid Provider



- For Kentucky Medicaid members the first step in obtaining a blood pressure cuff is seeing a Kentucky Medicaid Provider
- The following clinicians may sign an order for a blood pressure cuff or monitor:
 - Physician
 - Physician Assistant
 - Advanced Practice Registered Nurse

Medical Supplies, Equipment, and Appliances (MSEA) Provider

- Clinician's orders are sent or taken to a Medical Supplies, Equipment, and Appliances (MSEA) Provider
- Traditional/Fee for Service Medicaid members are referred to an MSEA provider by the clinician or they may find their own at:

<https://medicaidsystems.ky.gov/providerdirectory/pdsearch.aspx>

- Managed Care Members (MCO) are referred to an MSEA provider by the clinician or they may find their own using their MCO service website or phone number.

MSEA Filling Order



- The MSEA provider usually fills the same day if they are in stock.
- The member can pick up monitor or cuff or some MSEA suppliers deliver.
- The MSEA suppliers can also educate the member on how to use the blood pressure monitors.
- Most pharmacies are MSEA providers.

What Devices are Covered

- A4660- SPHYGMOMANOMETER/BLOOD PRESSURE APPARATUS WITH CUFF AND STETHOSCOPE
- A4663- DIALYSIS BLOOD PRESSURE CUFF BLOOD PRESSURE CUFF ONLY
- A4670- AUTOMATIC BLOOD PRESSURE MONITOR
- No prior authorizations are required for any blood pressure cuff or monitor.

Blood Pressure Monitoring



- The Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services also covers:
- Remote patient monitoring; and
- Patient education

Questions?

For any further questions please email us at:

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Thank You!