

Medicaid in Alabama

Medicaid is a state and federal program that provides health insurance for low income children, pregnant women, the elderly and the disabled. Patients do not receive a direct cash benefit. Instead, Medicaid is a form of health insurance.

Alabama has the 3rd lowest cost per enrollee in the country



Who is covered by Medicaid in Alabama?

Children 0-18 (636,177)

Elderly/Disabled (213,735)

Plan First (107,880)

Working Parents (109,375)

Pregnant Women (30,554)

Childless Adults 19-64 (0)

Adults in a family of three can only qualify if they

make less than \$330 a month

Did you know?

- There are <u>ZERO</u> childless, non-disabled adults enrolled in Alabama Medicaid ages 19-64.
- Alabama has among the <u>MOST</u> restrictive Medicaid eligibilities in the country.
- **ZERO** General Fund dollars go into the Medicaid hospital program.

How is Medicaid Funded?

Medicaid is jointly funded by federal and state dollars

- \$.29 For every 29¢ Alabama contributes...
- **\$.71** ...71¢ comes from matching federal funding.

In FY2020, health care providers contributed \$1.162 million to Alabama's Medicaid program.

Why do we need Medicaid?

Medicaid is a **\$6 Billion** investment into the health care sector; one of the largest industries in Alabama.

Without the **economic benefits of Medicaid**, hospitals, nursing homes and pharmacies would close.

Without Medicaid, physicians would leave Alabama, restricting access to care for every Alabamian.