

Medicaid appropriations – record setting

- Medicaid is **fully funded** for SFY 2023
- Funding for **additional needs**, including
 - \$85.9 for MMIS & technology updates
 - \$16.4M to process Medicaid applications
 - \$578M to DMH for provider rate equalization
- Once again, budget language purporting to prevent **Planned Parenthood** from receiving Medicaid funding
 - Planned Parenthood v DSS, 602 S.W.3d 201 (Mo. banc 2020)



... Made possible by COVID Medicaid fiscal relief

- FFCA (2020) offered states **6.5% FMAP increase for duration of PHE**
 - Continuous coverage during PHE
- ARPA (2021) offered newly expanding states **5% FMAP increase**
 - for non-Medicaid expansion groups for 2 years

MO Medicaid **enrollment increased from 825,000 –1.3M**

- **MO's fiscal relief 3.3 times the cost of additional enrollees**
 - \$2,925M extra federal dollars from FMAP increases
 - \$872M additional spending

Medicaid expansion during legislative session

- **Doyle v Tidball, 625 S.W. 3d 459 (Mo. 2021, en banc)**
 - Ballot initiative constitutional
 - FY2022 Appropriation bills did not prevent funds from being used for Medicaid expansion
- **FY2023 Appropriations include \$2.495 billion for Medicaid expansion**
- Efforts to redo Medicaid Expansion via another ballot again stalled (HJR 117, HJR 92, SB 938)



Medicaid expansion implementation rocky

- DSS Stumbles - **Enrollment challenges**
 - 183,000 – enrolled in Medicaid expansion
 - 56,000 applications pending
- Federal & State Law: 45 days to process
 - MO average processing time - 76 days
 - People waiting since Sept.
- **Problems?**
- **What to watch for?**
 - CMS – from technical help, to mitigation, to corrective action





Missouri Medicaid has new rules!

Right now, there are long wait times for Medicaid coverage after applying. Don't be discouraged!

You may be eligible for MO Medicaid if...

- You live in Missouri.
- You are aged 19-64.
- You are single and make less than \$1,563 per month before taxes.
- You are a family of four (there are 3 other people in your family and you live together), and your family makes less than \$3,192 per month before taxes.

What are the benefits of Medicaid Expansion?

- Medicaid insurance covers hospital stays, ER visits, visits to your doctor or the clinic, regular vaccines, brand name medications, dental fillings and root canals, vision care, mental health care including substance use treatment, and much more!

You can apply for MO Medicaid even if...

- You're not a parent.
- You do not currently work.
- You currently have other health insurance or benefits, such as Gateway to Better Health coverage or employer-sponsored insurance. If you have Medicare, you are not eligible for Medicaid Expansion.

How can you apply?

- **Online:** <https://cutt.ly/QRD7908>
- **Phone:** Family Support Division: 1-800-375-9994
- **On paper:** <https://cutt.ly/NRDBw66>

If you have questions,

Call the Medicaid Expansion
HelpLine at **888-686-1744!**

Trained helpers are there to answer your questions and help you apply!



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Prison Nursery – SB 683

Addresses Social Determinants of Health

- For women with 18 months or less left to serve
- Live with and care for their children
- Lower recidivism
- Improves infant health



Opioids – Preventing Overdose (HB 2162 & 2331)

Permits pharmacists to dispense naltrexone hydrochloride under a statewide standing order or physician collaborative practice agreement



Naltrexone

- 1 of 3 FDA approved drugs to treat opioid use disorders
 - Not a controlled substance; not an opioid, no high
 - Protects against risk of overdose

Questions?