

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 (571,500)

Elderly/Disabled (290,734)

Pregnant Women (126,000)

Working Parents (60,795)

Childless Adults 19-64 (0)

A parent can only qualify if they

make less than\$2,867 a year

(family of two/ 18% FPL)

Did you know?

- There are **ZERO** childless, non-disabled adults enrolled in Alabama Medicaid ages 19-64.
- Alabama has among the MOST 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

\$32 For every 32¢ Alabama contributes...

...68¢ comes from matching federal funding.

In FY2015, health care providers contributed \$725.4 Million towards Alabama Medicaid's state share.

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.