

MEDICAID EXPANSION STATE TRACKING

HEALTH ACCESS COALITION



STATE	WAIVER Y/ N	SUCCESES	CHALLENGES
ALASKA	N	Gov. Walker used executive power to expand Medicaid starting 9.1.15. Estimates forecast a 58.3 percent decrease in number of uninsured with expansion versus just a 44.5 percent decrease without expansion.	Some policymakers have challenged the Governor's authority to expand without legislative approval.
CITATIONS: http://stateofreform.com/news/states/alaska/2015/08/gallup-ak-uninsured-rate-drops-even-without-medicaid-expansion/ http://www.forbes.com/sites/theapotheary/2015/07/23/the-hubris-of-gov-bill-walkers-obamacare-medicaid-expansion-in-alaska/ http://mcr.sagepub.com/content/69/6/645 http://dhss.alaska.gov/Documents/Lewin_Final_Report.pdf			
ARKANSAS	Y	In FY 2014 the state saved \$30.8 million. Expects cumulative savings of \$120 million by FY 2015. Gain of \$34.4 million of new revenue in 2014 and 2015.	Complicated system (uses Medicaid funds to buy private insurance) led to technical setbacks to implementation.
CITATIONS: http://kff.org/medicaid/fact-sheet/medicaid-expansion-in-arkansas/ http://www.cbpp.org/research/health/medicaid-expansion-is-producing-large-gains-in-health-coverage-and-saving-states			
ARIZONA	Y	Bipartisan effort to push expansion through. Uncompensated care at hospitals decreased by 31 percent.	State supreme court supported challenge to method of payment for expansion through hospital assessment. Wants to create more requirements that will limit number of beneficiaries under expansion.
CITATIONS: http://www.nytimes.com/2015/01/01/us/politics/arizona-supreme-court-allows-challenge-to-states-medicaid-expansion.html?_r=0 http://tucson.com/news/local/arizona-hospitals-doing-less-uncompensated-care/article_ddde554d-462b-5538-8ca7-33d144337581.html			
CALIFORNIA	N	Uninsured rate dropped by nearly 10 percentage points. Over 2 million Californians have enrolled under expansion.	Enrollment surpassed projections and total Medicaid costs are increasing more quickly than expected.
CITATIONS: http://www.dailyjournal.net/view/story/cf91f48e0b3d4f25ad6fbed88e097f84/CA--Medicaid-Expansion-California			

COLORADO	N	Uses an ACO model and has experienced 15 percent reduction in hospital admissions. Also experienced \$44 million in savings. Reports expect the creation of nearly 23,000 jobs as result of expansion.	
CITATIONS: Medicaid Expansion – The Colorado health Foundation			
CONNECTICUT	N	First state to accept expansion in 2010. In 2013 uninsured rate dropped nearly 7 percentage points. Uninsured rate is below 5 percent in first 6 months of 2015	Under estimated number of newly eligible/ enrollees
CITATIONS: http://www.khi.org/news/article/connecticut-becomes-1st-state-embrace-health-reform http://ctmirror.org/2015/08/12/new-england-uninsured-rate-less-than-half-the-national-average/ http://www.forbes.com/sites/aroy/2013/03/13/connecticut-feels-the-burden-of-medicaid-expansion-exchange-regs-cms-plays-control-card/			
DELAWARE	N	CBPP expects that 9,000 of the 37,000 uninsured will gain coverage. Approximately 29,000 are eligible for Medicaid, but not enrolled.	
CITATIONS: http://www.cbpp.org/sites/default/files/atoms/files/medicaid_expansion_delaware.pdf			
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	N	Expansion extended coverage to 35,000 residents	
CITATIONS: https://www.advisory.com/daily-briefing/resources/primers/medicaidmap			
HAWAII	N	In 2014 the state enrolled 83 percent of potential Medicaid beneficiaries (both expansion and non-expansion eligibles) since expansion took place. Uninsured rate is below 5 percent.	
CITATIONS: http://acassignups.net/14/03/07/hawaii-boom-medicaid-expansion-cuts-his-uninsured-population-half http://time.com/3990439/uninsured-medicaid-obamacare/			
ILLINOIS	N	Approximately 623,000 previously uninsured individuals gained coverage as of June 2015. Cook County's uncompensated care costs dropped from \$500 million in 2013 to \$342 million in 2014, which benefits taxpayers	More enrollees than projected and thus concern for Medicaid budget once federal government match drops.
CITATIONS: http://www.chicagotribune.com/business/ct-medicaid-expansion-cost-0203-biz-20150202-story.html http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2015/jul/19/in-illinois-medicaid-expansion-sign-ups-double-pre/			

INDIANA	Y	Expansion estimated to reach 350,000 residents	Waiver includes cost-sharing (co-payments and premiums). New beneficiaries will lose coverage if they fail to pay premiums after 60-day grace period.
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CITATIONS:

<http://kff.org/medicaid/fact-sheet/medicaid-expansion-in-indiana/>

IOWA	Y	Uses risk assessments to help with budgeting and limit long-term costs. By the end of 2014 the state enrolled 120,000 previously uninsured residents. Uninsured rate is below 5 percent.	Includes premiums for beneficiaries (amount depends on Federal Poverty Level)
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CITATIONS:

<http://kff.org/medicaid/fact-sheet/medicaid-expansion-in-iowa/>

http://qctimes.com/news/state-and-regional/iowa/iowa-nearly-signed-up-for-medicaid-expansion-program/article_4b05ff94-44be-519e-b8f1-9a295c90ba71.html

<http://time.com/3990439/uninsured-medicaid-obamacare/>

KENTUCKY	N	The state saved \$25.8 million during FY 2014 and an additional \$83.1 million in savings is projected for FY 2015. Money saved is linked to decreased spending on behavioral health and inpatient hospital costs for prisoners.	
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CITATIONS:

<http://www.cbpp.org/research/health/medicaid-expansion-is-producing-large-gains-in-health-coverage-and-saving-states>

MARYLAND	N	220,442 enrollees through expansion. Decrease in uncompensated care costs.	Originally projected 164,724 new enrollees, thus concern about budget. However, Maryland has mechanisms to cover costs that do not rely on the general fund.
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CITATIONS:

<http://www.baltimoresun.com/health/maryland-health/bs-hs-medicaid-expansion-20150719-story.html>

MASSACHUSETTS	N	Predicts net savings once considering federal matching funds. Uninsured rate is below 5 percent.	Added additional people to Medicaid temporarily because technical difficulties with the state exchange. Medicaid expenditures increased by 14 percent.
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CITATIONS:

<http://time.com/3990439/uninsured-medicaid-obamacare/>

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http://www.masslive.com/politics/index.ssf/2015/01/medicaid_caseloads_-_and_costs.html

MICHIGAN	N	\$180 million saved in FY 2014. Most savings are linked to drop in demand for community mental health programs. Also, expect \$19.2 million savings for the correctional system.	
CITATIONS: http://www.cbpp.org/research/health/medicaid-expansion-is-producing-large-gains-in-health-coverage-and-saving-states			
MINNESOTA	N	Just fewer than 5 percent of new enrollees were between ages 50 and 64 years. New enrollees are seeking preventative care, which helps save money.	Concerns about budget implications resulting from expansion
CITATIONS: http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2015/jul/19/minnesota-health-care-programs-mute-medicare-expansion/ http://www.publicnewsservice.org/2015-07-30/senior-issues/minnesotas-expansion-pays-off-as-medicare-turns-50/a47444-1			
MONTANA	Y (pending approval)		
CITATIONS: http://kff.org/health-reform/slide/current-status-of-the-medicare-expansion-decision/			
NEVADA	N	181,051 now covered through expansion. In FY 2014 the state received \$1.4 billion in federal funds and paid \$522 million for care. In FY 2015 the state expects to spend \$531 million on expansion and receive \$2.4 billion in federal funds	Originally the state projected spending \$8.5 million in FY 2017, but now expects to spend \$22.6 million.
Citations: http://www.rgj.com/story/news/2015/07/19/nevada-expects-spend-medicare-planned/30391763/			
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Y	Expansion is helping to address the disparity between the number of people with substance use disorders and availability of treatment (100,000 residents with SUD and available treatment for 5,000). Hospitals report reduction in uncompensated care for ERs.	Total Medicaid expansion enrollment exceeded projections.
CITATIONS: http://www.sentinel-source.com/life_and_style/health_fitness/new-hampshire-funding-for-treatment-recovery-far-lower-than-neighboring/article_6d13e699-21f4-522b-8f42-3530eb50b232.html http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2015/jul/19/new-hampshire-among-states-with-surge-medicare-e/			

NEW JERSEY	N	Projected to save \$3 billion by 2020	
CITATIONS: http://www.cbpp.org/research/health/medicaid-expansion-is-producing-large-gains-in-health-coverage-and-saving-states			
NEW MEXICO	N	Collected \$30 million in new revenue FY 2104 and expects the same for FY2015. Projected to save \$60 million between 2014 and 2016.	
CITATIONS: http://www.cbpp.org/research/health/medicaid-expansion-is-producing-large-gains-in-health-coverage-and-saving-states			
NEW YORK	N	Expansion added 150,000 more individuals to Medicaid. The state-exchange helped reduce “churn” and kept individuals covered.	
CITATIONS: http://www.syracuse.com/state/index.ssf/2015/07/new_york_state_medicaid_enrollment_registration_obamacare.html			
NORTH DAKOTA	N	By the end of 2014 the state added 16,727 new Medicaid enrollees.	Budget forecasts have been adjusted for 2017. However, not changes in projections for number of enrollees for 2020.
CITATIONS: http://www.dailyjournal.net/view/story/ff1cac4656e647ceb7508c75c6379a01/ND--Medicaid-Expansion-North-Dakota			
OHIO	N	Spearheaded by republican Gov. Kasich, who continues to promote the benefits of expansion. Infusion of federal Medicaid money helped boost state’s budget surplus.	Conservatives estimate higher than expected costs for expansion starting in 2017. Projected 365,616 enrollees, but enrolled 537,010.
CITATIONS: http://www.toledoblade.com/DavidKushma/2015/05/31/Ohio-s-medicaid-expansion-needs-to-continue.html http://www.npr.org/sections/itsallpolitics/2015/05/01/403610372/ohio-republican-gov-kasich-on-expanding-medicaid-its-my-money http://www.ohio.com/news/nation/a-look-at-the-numbers-around-ohio-s-medicaid-expansion-1.609463 http://www.toledoblade.com/Politics/2015/02/06/U-S-cash-lets-Ohio-stash-huge-surplus.html			
OREGON	N	Implemented a “fast track” system to enroll 386,000 in 2014. Will use hospital assessments to pay for Medicaid.	Original budget projections for 2017 through 2019 were \$217 million. New projections are at \$369 million.
CITATIONS: http://www.modernhealthcare.com/article/20150721/NEWS/150729957 http://www.statesmanjournal.com/story/news/politics/2015/07/20/oregon-underestimated-medicaid-expansion-price-tag/30407741/			

PENNSYLVANIA	N (initially a waiver)	Transformed from expansion through a waiver to traditional expansion. 440,000 people have enrolled with expansion and policymakers are not “surprised” by actual v. projected enrollment. Traditional expansion is expected to cost \$33 million less than the waiver.	
CITATIONS: http://kff.org/medicaid/fact-sheet/medicaid-expansion-in-pennsylvania/ http://www.pennlive.com/midstate/index.ssf/2015/08/obama_pennsylvania_corbett_wol.html			
RHODE ISLAND	N	Currently, uninsured rate is less than 5 percent. Economists estimate increased coverage and federal funding will modestly bolster GDP and employment growth.	
CITATIONS: http://time.com/3990439/uninsured-medicare-obamacare/ http://footnote1.com/the-economic-impact-of-expanding-medicare/			
UTAH	Expansion under discussion	Reports that GOP led assembly are close to a deal for expansion.	
CITATIONS: http://www.sltrib.com/home/2742096-155/breakthrough-utah-gop-leaders-reach			
VERMONT	N	Uninsured rate is below 5 percent	
CITATIONS: http://www.timesargus.com/article/20150805/OPINION06/708059978			
WASHINGTON	N	In FY 2014 the state saved \$105.5 million and is projected to save an additional \$286.6 million in FY2015. An estimated \$64.6 million in savings is linked to behavioral health.	
CITATIONS: http://www.cbpp.org/research/health/medicaid-expansion-is-producing-large-gains-in-health-coverage-and-saving-states			
WEST VIRGINIA	N	Saved \$3.8 million which is linked to better care for newly eligible pregnant women.	
CITATIONS: http://www.cbpp.org/research/health/medicaid-expansion-is-producing-large-gains-in-health-coverage-and-saving-states			