

Medicaid Expansion in the Granite State

Medicaid Expansion is a unique, New Hampshire solution that leverages federal dollars to ensure that all Granite Staters have access to quality and affordable health care.

How does the program support a vibrant economy?

- Medicaid Expansion is the Granite State's opportunity to recapture federal dollars that we have sent to Washington. New Hampshire is a federal donor state, meaning that we pay more in federal taxes than we get back from the federal government.
- This program gets people back to work. Of the over 130,000 residents who have accessed critical health care through the program, more than 80,000 have since transitioned off of the program.
- Medicaid Expansion supports our workforce and small businesses, providing employees with needed access to affordable health coverage, keeping them healthy and working.

Who does the program help?

- This program currently serves over 50,000 low-income Granite Staters.
- Thousands of hard-working individuals are currently insured through Medicaid Expansion, including child care providers, home health care employees, those who work in the travel and tourism and service industries, and other low-wage workers around the Granite State.
- More than 75% of enrollees are living at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level. For a single individual this means their annual income is \$12,060 or less. Or, for a family of three, total family wages are less than \$20,420.

How does the program overall benefit the Granite State?

- **Medicaid Expansion is New Hampshire's number one tool in our fight against addiction:**
 - The program has more than doubled the state's substance use disorder treatment capacity. In 2013 the state had a treatment capacity to serve between 4,000-6,000 individuals - in 2016 that number rose to more than 12,000.
 - More than 7,500 unique individuals use the program to access substance use disorder services every quarter.
 - Medicaid Expansion provides needed health coverage to more than 80% of New Hampshire's Drug Court participants. Without this coverage these programs would no longer exist.
- Medicaid Expansion has helped keep health care premiums from rising by drastically reducing the number of uninsured residents seeking care in Emergency Departments,