

Utah's Medicaid Reform 1115 Demonstration

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Utah's Medicaid Reform 1115 Demonstration is a statewide waiver that gives the Utah Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) federal authorization to administer specific medical programs and benefits that are not otherwise allowable under federal rules. The Demonstration was approved in February 2002 and implemented July 1, 2002. Generally, section 1115 Demonstrations are approved for an initial five-year period and can be extended in additional three to five year increments. Over the years, additional programs and benefits have been authorized under the demonstration. This current demonstration is approved through June 30, 2027.

Demonstration Programs and Benefits include:

- Adult Expansion- Provides Medicaid benefits to adults age 19-64 who have household income up to 133 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL).
- Aged Dental-Provides state plan dental benefits to Medicaid eligible individuals age 65 and older.
- Dental Benefits for Individuals who are Blind or Disabled- Provides state plan dental benefits to individuals age 18 and older, who are blind or have disabilities.
- Employer Sponsored Insurance- Individuals in the Adult Expansion group are required to enroll in employer sponsored insurance (ESI), if it is available to the eligible individual.
- Former Foster Care Youth from Another State- Provides state plan Medicaid benefits to former foster care youth from another state up to age 26.
- Housing Related Services and Supports (HRSS)- Provides housing related services and supports in the form of tenancy support, community transition and supportive living services to TAM enrollees experiencing homelessness, food or transportation insecurity, or interpersonal violence and trauma.
- Intensive Stabilization Services (ISS) - Allows the state to provide intensive stabilization services to Medicaid eligible children and youth under age 21, who are in state custody, or at risk of state custody, and experiencing significant emotional and/or behavioral challenges.
- Residential and Inpatient Treatment for Individuals with Serious Mental Illness (SMI)- Provides expenditure authority for services furnished to eligible individuals ages 21 through 64 who receive treatment for a SMI, and who are short-term residents in facilities that meet the definition of an IMD.
- Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Residential Treatment- Provides coverage of SUD Residential

- Treatment in an Institution for Mental Disease (IMD) for all Medicaid eligible individuals.
- Targeted Adult Medicaid- Provides state plan Medicaid benefits to a targeted group of adults without dependent children.
 - Targeted Adult Dental Benefits- Provides state plan dental benefits for Targeted Adult Medicaid eligible individuals who are receiving Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment.
 - Utah's Premium Partnership for Health Insurance (UPP)-Provides premium assistance to help pay the individual's or family's share of monthly premium costs of employer-sponsored insurance or COBRA.
 - Utah Medicaid Integrated Care (UMIC)- Allows the state to operate an integrated managed care program combining physical health and behavioral health services in five Utah counties for the Adult Expansion Population (not including the Targeted Adult Population).

Note: The Current Eligibles/Non-Traditional Benefits demonstration population moved to the state plan effective January 1, 2024. Members of the adult expansion population with dependent children also now have uniform, state plan benefits.

November 2023 Enrollment for Demonstration Populations

Program/Benefit	Individuals Enrolled/Served*
Adult Expansion	94,334
Aged Dental	371**
Current Eligibles/Non-Traditional Benefits	30,414
Dental Benefits- Blind/Disabled	41,048
ESI	783
Former Foster Care Youth	18
HRSS	391
Intensive Stabilization Services	0**
SMI Residential Treatment	64**
SUD Residential Treatment	315**
Targeted Adult Medicaid	7,582
Targeted Adult Dental Benefit	336**
UPP	406
UMIC	60,466

*Data is point in time as of January 2, 2024. Data is subject to change with future retroactive eligibility.

**Enrollment is counted based on claims received. Due to billing delays, these counts are for the service month of November 2022.

Demonstration documents can be found at <https://medicaid.utah.gov/1115-waiver>