

About the Modern Medicaid Alliance

Overview

The Modern Medicaid Alliance is a partnership between real Americans who value Medicaid and leading advocacy organizations. Our mission is to educate policymakers and the public about the benefits of Medicaid to the American people in terms of cost savings, health outcomes and social impact and highlight how Medicaid is innovating in the delivery of care – especially for some of America’s most vulnerable citizens facing complex problems – and accountability of the program.

Medicaid is a safety net and is there for when we need it. Given the wide set of circumstances Medicaid covers, it is the largest health care program in the country, covering about one in five Americans. This includes many low-income individuals, Americans with disabilities, children, elderly Americans as well as nearly two million veterans who depend on Medicaid for routine checkups and mental health services. Medicaid pays for more than half of all long-term services and supports for older adults and people with disabilities.

We must ensure that Medicaid is financially sustainable and effective in improving beneficiaries' health. Despite its ubiquity and success for those it serves, Medicaid often fails to garner the attention paid to other programs. Medicaid recipients themselves may feel stigmatized by their involvement in the program and are often not as politically engaged or unified as Medicare or Social Security beneficiaries. As a result, educating policymakers and the American public about the benefits of our national and state investments in Medicaid is wanting. To accomplish our mission, the Modern Medicaid Alliance brings together the range of stakeholders that serve Medicaid beneficiaries, including, but not limited to:

- Advocates for low-income Americans
- Children’s advocates
- Medicaid managed care plans
- Patient and consumer advocates
- Advocates for those with mental illness
- Advocates for those with disabilities
- Health care providers
- Business organizations

MMA’s activities are guided by the following **Principles**:

- **Educational:** The alliance educates policymakers and the American people about the benefits of today’s Medicaid program – how it improves individual health, local communities, and America.
- **Collaborative:** The alliance engages Medicaid beneficiaries, caregivers, family members, and a diverse group of partner organizations to bring a new powerful voice on behalf of today’s Medicaid program and the people it serves.
- **Positive:** Today’s Medicaid program offers tremendous benefit to Americans across the country. We’ll share those success stories.
- **Solutions-Based:** The alliance promotes health care solutions that work.
- **Personal:** Millions of families from every background and neighborhood benefit from Medicaid. No two beneficiaries -- and no two stories – are the same.

Alliance Partners include:

- Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy
- American Association of Nurse Practitioners
- American Association of People with Disabilities
- American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)

- America's Physician Groups (APG)
- The Arc of the United States
- Association for Behavioral Health and Wellness
- Association of People Supporting Employment First
- Association of Community Cancer Centers
- Association of Maternal and Child Health Professionals (AMCHP)
- Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America (AAFA)
- Autism Speaks
- Autistic Self Advocacy Network
- Black Women's Health Imperative
- Blue Shield of California
- Bridger Peaks Counseling & Recovery Services
- Caregiver Action Network (CAN)
- Case Management Society of America
- Celiac Disease Foundation
- Children's Hospital Association
- Healthcare Leadership Council
- Health Care Service Corporation (HCSC)
- Health Care Transformation Task Force
- Healthy Schools Campaign
- Men's Health Network (MHN)
- Mental Health America
- National Alliance for Medicaid in Education
- National Alliance on Mental Illness
- National Association of ACOs
- National Association of Area Agencies on Aging
- National Association of Counties
- National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners
- National Association of School Nurses
- National Association of School Psychologists
- National Consumers League
- National Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health
- National Hispanic Medical Association (NHMA)
- National Military Family Association
- National Minority Quality Forum
- National Organization on Disability
- National Patient Advocate Foundation
- National Transitions of Care Coalition (NTOCC)
- Partnership to Fight Chronic Disease
- Pharmacy Quality Alliance
- Providence St. Joseph's Health
- RetireSafe
- School-Based Health Alliance
- Trinity Health
- United Cerebral Palsy
- United Spinal Association
- ZERO TO THREE
- Southwest Indiana Chamber of Commerce
- Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber of Commerce
- Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce
- NAMI Ohio
- Kentucky Voices for Health

- Claimaid
- University of Arkansas for Medical Science
- Indiana Hospital Association
- Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities
- Ohio Contractors Association
- Arkansas Advocates for Children and Families
- Urban Chamber of Commerce – NV
- Community Health Centers of Arkansas
- Indiana Rural Health Association
- Indiana Chamber of Commerce
- Drug Free Action Alliance
- Change Addiction Now
- Arkansas Hospital Association
- Kentucky Association of Manufacturers
- The Counseling Center, Inc. (OH)
- Catholic Conference of Kentucky
- Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce
- The Bridge (TX)
- Brooklyn Plaza Medical Center, Inc.
- Coalition of New Your State Public Health Plans
- Community Council of Greater Dallas
- Crystal Run Healthcare
- Latin Chamber of Commerce, Las Vegas-Nevada
- Metrocare Services (Dallas)
- New York Health Plan Association
- NYS Coalition of MLTC and PACE Plans
- North Dallas Chamber of Commerce
- Parkland Hospital (TX)
- Greater Phoneix Chamber of Commerce
- Roswell Park Cancer Institute
- SynderMed
- Texas Association of Business
- Texas Association of Community Health Plans
- Wheeling Area Chamber of Commerce
- Thrive - Bozeman, MT
- Bozeman Special Education Parent Teacher Association Ally
- Element Law Group
- Montana Ambassadors
- Shodair Children’s Hospital
- Montana Public Health Association

America’s Health Insurance Plans (AHIP) is the convener of the Modern Medicaid Alliance.