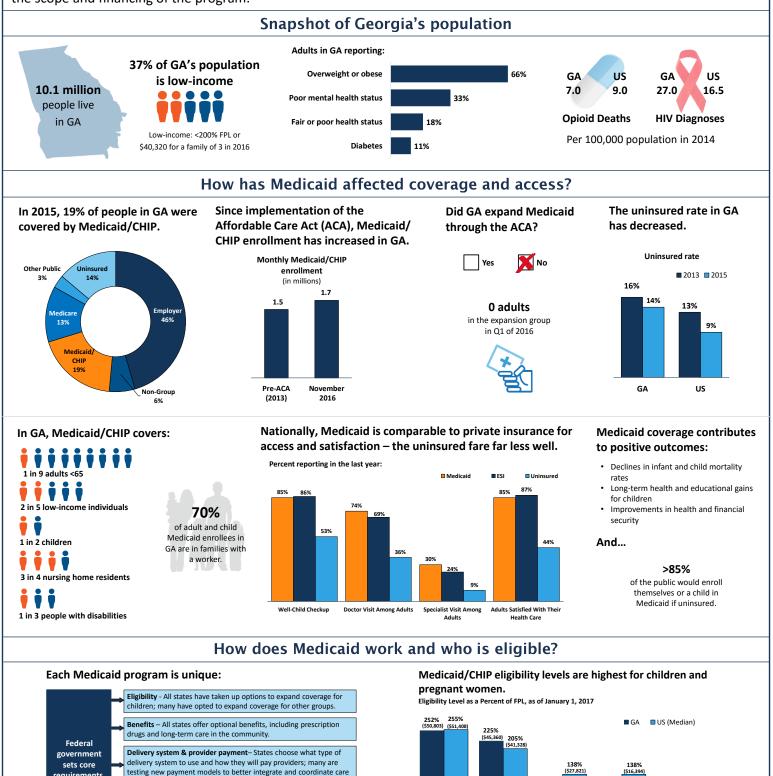


MEDICAID IN GEORGIA

Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) provide health and long-term care coverage to more than 1.7 million low-income children, pregnant women, adults, seniors, and people with disabilities in Georgia. Medicaid is a major source of funding for safety-net hospitals and nursing homes. Federal policy proposals could fundamentally change the scope and financing of the program.



to improve health outcomes Long-term care - States have expanded eligibility for people who need long-term care and are increasingly shifting spending away from institutions and towards community-based care.

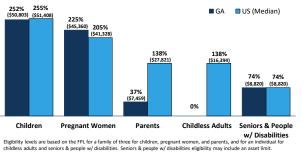
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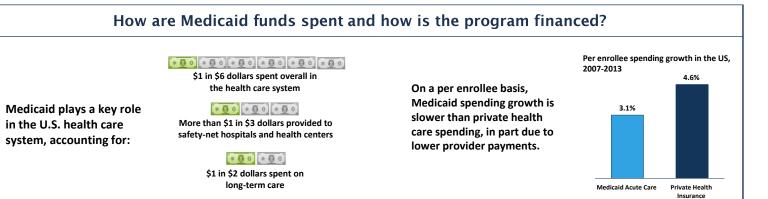
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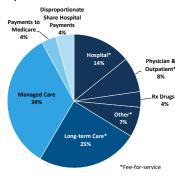
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State health priorities - States can use Medicaid to address issues such as the opioid epidemic, HIV, Zika, autism, dementia, environmental health emergencies, etc.

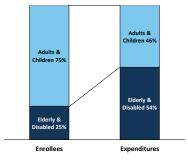




In FY 2015, Medicaid spending in GA was \$9.8 billion.



In 2011, most Medicaid beneficiaries in GA were children and adults, but most spending was for the elderly and people with disabilities.



303,900 Medicare beneficiaries (22%) in GA rely on Medicaid for assistance with Medicare premiums and cost-sharing and services not covered by Medicare, particularly longterm care.

29%

of Medicaid spending in GA is for Medicare beneficiaries.

Federal funding to states is guaranteed with no cap and fluctuates depending on program needs.

In GA the federal share (FMAP) is 67.9%. For every **\$1** spent by the state, the Federal government matches **\$2.11**.

Expansion states receive an increased FMAP for the expansion population. GA did not expand Medicaid and did not receive additional federal funds.



15% of state general fund spending in GA is for Medicaid.

49% of all federal funds received by GA is for Medicaid.

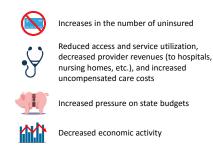
What are the implications of reduced federal financing in a Medicaid block grant or a per capita cap?

Congress may soon debate proposals to reduce federal Medicaid funding through ACA repeal and federal caps.

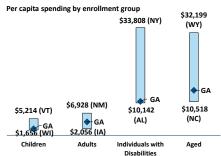
The March 2016 Budget Resolution would reduce federal Medicaid spending by **41%** nationally over the 2017-2026 period.



The impact of a block grant or per capita cap will depend on funding levels, but could include:



A per capita cap could lock in historical state differences or redistribute federal funds across states.



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0.75 is the Medicaid-to-Medicare

physician fee ratio in GA.

48%

of long-term care spending in GA is for home and community-based care.

69%

of beneficiaries in GA are in managed care.