

Section 1115 Demonstrations: MO Gateway to Better Health

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Why doesn't this plan cover behavioral, mental health, and substance abuse services?	A health insurance plan may need to cover behavioral, mental health, and substance abuse services in order to adequately address these and other socioeconomic barriers to care. It is foreseeable that there will continue to be a rise in patients using the emergency department with mental health and substance abuse challenges, and this impacts morbidity and mortality. The decision of whether to include mental health and substance abuse services in a government health insurance plan may impact whether frequent users of the emergency department can have access to these services at all, and also whether patients with these needs choose to go to an emergency department or a public health clinic. Health insurance that does not provide frequent emergency department users with access to mental health and substance abuse services may be challenged in reducing emergency department visits for a significant population.	2012-06-12 06:33
Why two tiers? Why do some patients have coverage for both primary and specialty services while others only for specialty services?	How would this compare to only having one tier which covered both primary and specialty services?	2012-06-12 06:18