

State: Ohio

Demonstration Name: Ohio/MetroHealth Care Plus Demonstration

Summary:

According to information from the state, the demonstration provides coverage to up to 30,000 uninsured adults, ages 19 through 64 who have family income at or below 133 percent of the federal poverty line (FPL), who are not otherwise eligible for comprehensive Medicaid benefit coverage under the Medicaid state plan or Medicare, and who reside in Cuyahoga County.

Fundamental Program Initiatives:

The demonstration supports efforts to develop a provider network in Cuyahoga County that will increase capacity to serve the demonstration population, increase the number of services available to the population, and improve the quality of care provided.

Population:

There is one population in this demonstration—uninsured adults who have family income at or below 133 percent of the FPL, who reside in Cuyahoga County, and who are not otherwise eligible for comprehensive benefits under the Medicaid state plan. Please see the eligibility section of the fact sheet for this demonstration for more detail.

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OHIO
SECTION 1115 DEMONSTRATION
FACT SHEET

Program Name: MetroHealth Care Plus Demonstration

Initial Application

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SUMMARY

The Ohio MetroHealth Care Plus section 1115 demonstration provides comprehensive health care benefits to up to 30,000 uninsured adults, ages 19 through 64 years who have family income at or below 133 percent of the Federal poverty line (FPL), who are not otherwise eligible for comprehensive Medicaid benefit coverage under the Medicaid state plan or Medicare, and who reside in Cuyahoga County.

The demonstration will support efforts to develop a provider network in Cuyahoga County that will increase capacity to serve the demonstration population, increase the number of services available to the population, and improve the quality of care provided.

ELIGIBILITY

Demonstration eligibles are uninsured individuals who:

- Are adults age 19 through 64 years who are not pregnant;
- Are screened and found not eligible for comprehensive Medicaid benefits under the Medicaid state plan or Medicare;
- Have family income at or below 133 percent of the FPL, or an equivalent standard using a modified adjusted gross income-based (MAGI-based) income determination methodology;
- Reside in Cuyahoga County; and
- Are U.S. citizens, nationals, or qualified non-citizens.

DELIVERY SYSTEM

The demonstration population receives health care benefits through MetroHealth and community partners that MetroHealth includes in the provider network for the demonstration.

The demonstration also provides patient centered medical homes (PCMHs) which are charged with assisting individuals in coordinating care and assisting the enrollee in obtaining care that will improve health outcomes.

BENEFITS

Demonstration enrollees receive inpatient/outpatient hospital services, physician services, prescription medications, home care services, short-term skilled nursing services, mental health/substance use disorder services, non-emergency medical transportation, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, durable medical equipment, podiatry service, smoking cessation, weight management clinic services for patients with BMI > 30, medical nutrition counseling, dental services, and care coordination.

QUALITY AND EVALUATION PLAN

The state's goals under the demonstration are to:

- Substantially reduce the uninsured rate in Cuyahoga County;
- Improve the health status and quality of care for thousands of county residents;
- Study the behavior of a segment of Ohio's uninsured population as they obtain additional health benefits;
- Expand the scope of health care services available to uninsured Cuyahoga County residents;
- Increase the number of Cuyahoga County residents who will receive benefits from a regular source; and
- Invest resources to further develop and expand medical home models and care coordination.

The state will test the following hypotheses in its evaluation of the demonstration:

- Expanding eligibility to the demonstration group will increase the number of residents with health insurance coverage in Cuyahoga County.
- Assigning everyone who enrolls in MetroHealth Care Plus to a PCMH will result in more consumer visits to a primary care provider.
- Assigning everyone who enrolls in MetroHealth Care Plus to a PCMH will result in the per member per month costs being less than they would be without assignment to a PCMH.
- Assigning everyone who enrolls in MetroHealth Care Plus to a PCMH will result in quality clinical care received by those consumers enrolled in the demonstration.
- Expanding eligibility to the demonstration group will help the state identify the health status and utilization patterns of this group of individuals.

COST-SHARING

All demonstration enrollees will be subject to cost-sharing up to cost-sharing levels applied under the Medicaid state plan. The state ensures that any cost-sharing will be nominal, as stipulated in 42 C.F.R 447.54. Standard Medicaid exemptions from cost-sharing, such as family planning services, as stipulated in 42 C.F.R. 447(b) apply to the demonstration.

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