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FY 2016

## **Introduction**

Wyoming Medicaid received approval of its 1115 Medicaid Waiver application, Pregnant by Choice: Wyoming's Family Planning Expansion Program, from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on September 8, 2008. This five-year demonstration project was effective October 1, 2008, through September 30, 2013. Wyoming received approval from CMS to continue the demonstration through December 31, 2017. Although the demonstration was approved to begin October 1, 2008, Wyoming did not begin enrolling eligible women and program services did not begin until January 1, 2009.

## **Executive Summary**

This program extends family planning options to women who would typically lose their Medicaid benefits two months postpartum. Eligibility criteria is as follows:

- Are between the ages of 19 and 44
- Were previously eligible for Medicaid due to pregnancy or a pregnancy-related service
- Are not eligible for another Medicaid program
- Do not have health insurance
- Have not had a medical procedure to prevent pregnancy
- Have a family income at or below 133 percent of the Federal poverty level
- Are U.S. citizens or qualified immigrants
- Are residents of Wyoming
- Are not pregnant

The overarching goals of the "Pregnant by Choice" initiative are to

- reduce the incidence of closely spaced pregnancies and
- decrease the number of unintended pregnancies, thereby
- achieving cost savings and
- reducing health risks to women and children

Enrollees are eligible to receive family planning services. The program covers contraception management services and certain additional medical diagnosis or treatment services that are provided within the context of a visit for contraception management services. Covered services are:

 Initial physical exam and health history, including client education and counseling related to reproductive health and family planning options, including a pap smear and testing for sexually transmitted diseases

- Annual follow up exam for reproductive health/family planning purposes, including a
  pap smear and testing for sexually transmitted diseases where indicated
- Brief and intermediate follow up office visits related to family planning
- Necessary family planning/reproductive health-related laboratory procedures and diagnostic tests
- Contraceptive management including drugs, devices and supplies
- Insertion, implantation or injection of contraceptive drugs or devices
- Removal of contraceptive devices
- Sterilization services and related laboratory services (when properly completed sterilization consent form has been submitted)
- Medications required as part of a procedure done for family planning purposes

**Table 1: Timeline** 

Demonstration Year Eight (DY 8)	Begin Date	End Date	Quarterly Report Due Date
Quarter 1	October 1, 2015	December 31, 2015	February 29.2016
Quarter 2	January 1, 2016	March 31, 2016	May 30, 2016
Quarter 3	April 1, 2016	June 30, 2016	August 29, 2016
Quarter 4	July 1, 2016	September 30, 2016	November 29, 2016

- Significant Program Activities or Changes
  - There were no significant program activities or changes.
- Policy issues and Challenges
  - There were no policy issues or challenges to report.

#### **Enrollment and Renewal**

Eligibility for the waiver has decreased significantly compared to one year ago. We expected some decreases due to the new MAGI rules implemented in 2014. The number of new enrollees during the quarter is much lower compared to the same quarter in DY6. The waiver continues to be budget neutral. In Table 2, we provide a summary of the enrollment figures throughout DY7, with annual figures representing unduplicated counts of enrollees.

**Table 2: Enrollment Figures** 

DY 7: 2015	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Annual
	Population	Population	Population	Population	Total
Number of Newly Enrolled	18	8	7	6	39

DY 7: 2015	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Annual
	Population	Population	Population	Population	Total
Number of Total Enrollees <sup>1</sup>	373	280	141	97	440
Number of Participants	16	14	7	2	34
Number of Member Months	1,127	851	609	324	2,911
DY 8: 2016	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Annual
	Population	Population	Population	Population	Population
Number of Newly Enrolled	3				
Number of Total Enrollees <sup>3</sup>	81				
Number of Participants	0				
Number of Member Months	248				

The FPW current eligibility stipulates that women must be pregnant and have received Medicaid benefits under the Pregnant Women program but will lose eligibility 60 days after giving birth. Many of the women that would have been enrolled are now in Medicaid. In Figure 1, we show a comparison of enrollment figures from September 2015 (DY 7) and December 2015 (DY 8).

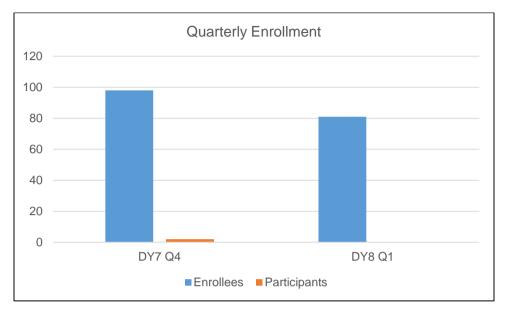
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Total Enrollees for each quarter are calculated using the total from the last month of each quarter (e.g., December for Q1, March for Q2, etc.). Total enrollees for the DY includes any unique member eligible in the months between October and September.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Number of participants are based on the number of paid claims with dates of service within the quarter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Total Enrollees for each quarter are calculated using the total from the last month of each quarter (e.g., December for Q1, March for Q2, etc.). Total enrollees for the DY includes any unique member eligible in the months between October and September.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Number of participants are based on the number of paid claims with dates of service within the quarter.

Figure 1: DY 7, Q4 & DY 8, Q1 Enrollment



#### **Service and Providers**

Service utilization has decreased which can be explained by the decrease in participation each quarter of this demonstration year. There was zero service utilization in Q1 of DY 8, however a majority of services utilized are intrauterine surveillance and surveillance of other contraceptive methods.

- Provider Participation
  - Wyoming Medicaid has a "Provider Locator" link where clients are able to search for providers that accept Wyoming Medicaid. There are 25 Public Health clinics in Wyoming and all accept Medicaid. There is also 99 percent Medicaid participation among physicians in Wyoming. Access to physician services is not an issue. <a href="https://wyequalitycare.acs-inc.com/wy/client/general/providerLocator.do">https://wyequalitycare.acs-inc.com/wy/client/general/providerLocator.do</a>

## **Program Outreach Awareness and Notification**

Outreach is somewhat limited due to the eligibility for the program. Within 60 days of giving birth, the Department of Family Services (DFS) will send women eligible for the Pregnant Women program a review form to determine if they are eligible for continued Medicaid benefits including the Pregnant by Choice Program. Clients are only eligible for the Family Planning Waiver program following their six weeks of eligibility on the maternity plan and must transition directly to the FPW with no lapse in eligibility. These are only the women that do not qualify for traditional Medicaid after the six weeks of maternity eligibility.

- It is the responsibility of the applicant to return the form to DFS for processing. If a mother allows her Medicaid benefits to lapse after the two month postpartum period she will not be eligible for the Pregnant by Choice program. Eligibility is determined annually.
- Targeted outreach is limited. Brochures are mailed to the Public Health Offices and physician offices that request them to display in their offices.

#### **Program Evaluation, Transition Plan and Monitoring**

• Navigant Consulting, the Independent Evaluator, prepared quarterly narrative report drafts for the four quarters of demonstration year seven.

# **Annual Expenditures**

In Table 3, we provide a summary of the data reported on the CMS-64 and CMS-37 reports with regard to the Pregnant by Choice waiver. Total annual expenditures are less than in previous years due to the lower number of enrollees.

**Table 3: CMS Expenditures** 

	DY 7 October 2014 - September 2015				
	Service Expenditures as Reported on the CMS-64	Administrative Expenditures as Reported on the CMS 64	Total Expenditures as Reported on the CMS-64	Expenditures as Requested on the CMS 37	
Quarter 1	\$6,764	\$1,344	\$8,108	\$21,654	
Quarter 2	9,908	1,374	11,282	17,810	
Quarter 3	4,567	1,384	5,951	14,141	
Quarter 4	1,190	1,406	2,596	4,567	
Total Annual Expenditures	\$22,429	\$5,508	\$27,937	\$58,172	
	DY 8 October 2015 - December 2015				
	Service Expenditures as Reported on the CMS-64	Administrative Expenditures as Reported on the CMS 64	Total Expenditures as Reported on the CMS-64	Expenditures as Requested on the CMS 37	
Quarter 1	\$1,947	\$1,424	\$3,371	\$1,990	