

# Pediatrician Participation in Medicaid/SCHIP

Survey of Fellows of the American Academy of Pediatrics, 2000



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## Alaska

This report includes Private Office-based Primary Care  
Pediatricians in Direct Patient Care

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PEDIATRICIAN PARTICIPATION IN MEDICAID / SCHIP - Alaska

Survey of AAP Members, 2000 <sup>1</sup>

	<u>Alaska</u>	<u>Pacific</u> (Region includes: AK, CA, HI, OR & WA)	<u>US</u>
<b><u>Survey Sample</u></b>			
Number of Non-federal Pediatricians (1998) <sup>2</sup>	78	8,470	54,988
AAP Fellows Surveyed	75	1,256	13,050
Survey Response Rate	76.0%	68.4%	66.8%
Surveys Included in this Report <sup>1</sup>	28	383	3,773
<b><u>Medicaid Enrollment and Expenditures, FY 1998</u></b> <sup>3</sup>			
Total Medicaid Enrollees	87,873	7,914,281	40,377,603
Percent Child Enrollees <sup>4</sup>	59.7%	55.8%	56.1%
Total Medicaid Payments	\$330 M	\$18,496 M	\$142,058 M
Percent Payments to Children <sup>4</sup>	37.5%	26.4%	23.3%
Average Payments per Child Enrollee	\$2,361	\$1,091	\$1,449
<b><u>Pediatrician Participation in Medicaid/SCHIP</u></b>			
Currently Participate in Medicaid / SCHIP	100.0% / NS	82.7% / 77.4%	87.8% / 86.4%
Percent who accept ALL Medicaid/ SCHIP / Private Patients	<u>Medicaid</u> 77.8% <u>SCHIP</u> NS <u>Private</u> 66.7%	<u>Medicaid</u> 41.4% <u>SCHIP</u> 42.2% <u>Private</u> 71.0%	<u>Medicaid</u> 54.6% <u>SCHIP</u> 60.2% <u>Private</u> 70.8%
with Patient Caseload At Capacity	68.8% NS 56.3%	31.9% 35.1% 63.1%	52.3% 59.0% 66.9%
with Patient Caseload Under Capacity	88.9% NS 77.8%	45.5% 47.4% 86.2%	59.3% 65.5% 83.6%
with Patient Caseload Over Capacity	100.0% NS 100.0%	65.9% 57.0% 72.2%	53.8% 56.2% 62.0%
<b><u>Medicaid Reimbursement and Participation</u></b>			
Medicaid Payments Cover Overhead <sup>5</sup>	64.3%	15.2%	14.9%
Medicaid payments Do Not Cover Overhead	17.9%	54.9%	51.5%
<i>Do not know whether Medicaid Payments Cover Overhead</i>	17.9%	29.9%	33.7%
Percent who will see more Medicaid patients with Increased Reimbursement	25.0%	25.5%	31.6%
Percentage of Customary Fee for Well-child Visit Needed to:			
Accept More, or any, Medicaid patients	90.7%	83.6%	83.1%
Accept All Medicaid patients	90.0%	86.5%	87.3%

1 - Report based on a national total of 3773 returned survey. 2 - AMA Master File 1998. 3 - HCFA2082, FY 1998. Data for Oklahoma is based on fee-for-service payments per child recipient for 1997 and are not included in the regional and state totals. 4 - Under Age 21. 5 - Percent of pediatricians who indicate that Medicaid reimburses enough to cover their overhead for seeing Medicaid patients.

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<b><u>Reasons for Limiting Participation in Medicaid</u></b>			
<i>Percent Pediatricians who rated reason "Very Important"</i>			
Low Reimbursement	51.9%	65.0%	56.3%
Paperwork Concerns	29.6%	42.5%	39.4%
Unpredictable Payments	33.3%	38.2%	38.7%
Payment Delays	29.6%	27.5%	31.2%
Missed Appointments	38.5%	26.1%	34.1%
Increasing State Managed Care Requirements	22.2%	30.2%	30.5%
Medicaid Program Too Complex	25.9%	36.0%	28.1%
Emergency Room Use	25.9%	22.5%	30.0%
Medicaid Patients Less Compliant	22.2%	28.1%	30.5%
Regulations Interfere with Quality Medical Care	11.1%	17.7%	18.3%
<b><u>Managed Care Plans Requiring Medicaid Patients</u></b> <sup>3</sup>			
Acceptance of Medicaid Patients Required	0.0%	9.1%	10.1%
Acceptance of Medicaid Patients Not Required	50.0%	43.2%	43.0%
<i>Do not know</i>	50.0%	47.7%	46.9%
<b><u>Medicaid Patients' Payment Systems</u></b>			
Managed Care, capitation	0.0%	57.2%	33.3%
Managed Care, reduced fee-for-service	35.7%	27.8%	42.7%
Non-managed Care System (i.e., traditional fee-for-service)	57.1%	14.5%	21.4%
Other	7.1%	0.5%	2.6%
<b><u>SCHIP Patients' Payment Systems</u></b>			
Managed Care, capitation	NS	52.8%	33.6%
Managed Care, reduced fee-for-service	NS	39.4%	47.2%
Non-managed Care System (i.e., traditional fee-for-service)	NS	7.6%	17.1%
Other	NS	0.2%	2.1%

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<b><u>Patient Source of Payment</u></b>			
Commercial Insurance	51.2%	71.3%	66.6%
Medicaid	34.1%	20.3%	24.0%
SCHIP (if separate from Medicaid)	NS	2.5%	2.6%
Medicare	0.5%	0.5%	0.4%
Uninsured	12.6%	5.6%	6.4%
<i>Percent of Services to Uninsured Patients that are Uncompensated:</i>	13.3%	25.0%	32.7%
<b><u>Patients' Payment Systems</u></b>			
Managed Care, capitation	4.6%	45.3%	29.2%
Managed Care, reduced fee-for-service	15.2%	28.0%	39.9%
Non-managed Care System (i.e., traditional fee-for-service)	71.9%	24.7%	27.4%
Other	8.3%	2.0%	3.5%
<b><u>Patient Caseload</u></b>			
At Capacity	60.7%	56.9%	59.2%
Under Capacity	32.1%	26.1%	26.5%
Over Capacity	7.1%	17.0%	14.3%
<i>Average Number of Patients in Practice</i>	3,301	3,450	4,396
<b><u>Work Load</u></b>			
At Capacity	67.9%	57.9%	60.3%
Under Capacity	32.1%	21.2%	22.9%
Over Capacity	0.0%	20.9%	16.8%
<b><u>Practice Location</u></b>			
Large Metropolitan (Population 1 Million or Above)	0.0%	38.6%	29.1%
Small Metropolitan (Population 50K to 1 Million)	66.7%	44.9%	41.9%
Nonmetropolitan (Population Between 2.5K to 50 K)	29.6%	15.9%	26.2%
Rural (Population 2.5 K or Under)	3.7%	0.6%	2.8%

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<b><u>Primary Setting</u></b>						
Self-Employed Solo Practice	21.4%	15.2%	13.0%			
Two Physician Practice	3.6%	4.2%	8.6%			
Pediatric Group Practice	53.6%	38.7%	48.4%			
Multispecialty Group	14.3%	20.4%	17.4%			
HMO (Staff Model)	0.0%	16.0%	4.3%			
Medical School	0.0%	no data	0.6%			
Non-government Hospital	0.0%	1.0%	2.8%			
Government Hospital or Clinic	0.0%	1.9%	0.3%			
Other Setting	7.1%	2.6%	4.5%			
<b><u>Percent Time Spent in Professional Activity</u><sup>2</sup></b>						
	<u>Percent</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>N</u>
Direct Patient Care	86.3%	28	90.2%	372	91.5%	3,667
Self-employed	89.2%	19	90.1%	231	90.4%	2,075
Other than Self-employed	65.5%	11	79.4%	160	84.2%	1,733
Administration	17.4%	15	15.0%	186	11.7%	1,739
Academic Medicine	7.2%	5	11.0%	55	10.2%	686
Research		0	6.9%	8	8.8%	112
Fellowship Training	5.0%	1	8.3%	10	9.6%	77
Other Activity	90.0%	1	12.9%	24	11.5%	209
<b><u>Percent Time Spent in (Sub)Specialty</u><sup>2</sup></b>						
General Pediatrics	100.0%	28	100.0%	383	100.0%	3,771
Other Specialty / Subspecialty Area		0	no data	0	no data	0
<b><u>Gender</u></b>						
Male	57.1%		59.9%		51.5%	
Female	42.9%		40.1%		48.5%	
<b><u>Age</u></b>						
Under 45	42.9%		46.1%		52.7%	
45 or Above	57.1%		53.9%		47.3%	
Mean Age	47.1		45.8		44.8	

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2 - Percent time spent in professional activity during a typical workweek. Only non-zero entries are included in the average percents. Therefore the data reflect only those who reported any activities in the specified category. Number of unweighted cases contributing to the average are italicized.

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