

Pediatrician Participation in Medicaid/SCHIP

Survey of Fellows of the American Academy of Pediatrics, 2000



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PEDIATRICIAN PARTICIPATION IN MEDICAID / SCHIP - Alabama

Survey of AAP Members, 2000 ¹

	<u>Alabama</u>	<u>East South Central</u> (Region includes: AL, KY, MS & TN)	<u>US</u>
<u>Survey Sample</u>			
Number of Non-federal Pediatricians (1998) ²	648	2,689	54,988
AAP Fellows Surveyed	294	1,156	13,050
Survey Response Rate	63.6%	60.6%	66.8%
Surveys Included in this Report ¹	92	316	3,773
<u>Medicaid Enrollment and Expenditures, FY 1998</u> ³			
Total Medicaid Enrollees	628,220	3,263,176	40,377,603
Percent Child Enrollees ⁴	58.2%	51.1%	56.1%
Total Medicaid Payments	\$1,902 M	\$8,937 M	\$142,058 M
Percent Payments to Children ⁴	19.7%	24.3%	23.3%
Average Payments per Child Enrollee	\$750	\$1,171	\$1,449
<u>Pediatrician Participation in Medicaid/SCHIP</u>			
Currently Participate in Medicaid / SCHIP	83.5% / 92.1%	87.5% / 83.2%	87.8% / 86.4%
Percent who accept ALL Medicaid/ SCHIP / Private Patients	<u>Medicaid</u> 50.7% <u>SCHIP</u> 72.4% <u>Private</u> 69.3%	<u>Medicaid</u> 41.0% <u>SCHIP</u> 58.5% <u>Private</u> 65.4%	<u>Medicaid</u> 54.6% <u>SCHIP</u> 60.2% <u>Private</u> 70.8%
with Patient Caseload At Capacity	53.5% ~ 77.5% ~ 67.4% ~	41.1% 61.4% 63.3%	52.3% 59.0% 66.9%
with Patient Caseload Under Capacity	57.1% ~ 73.9% ~ 76.2% ~	46.8% 64.7% 77.2%	59.3% 65.5% 83.6%
with Patient Caseload Over Capacity	22.2% ~ 45.5% ~ 55.6% ~	32.2% 43.9% 55.2%	53.8% 56.2% 62.0%
<u>Medicaid Reimbursement and Participation</u>			
Medicaid Payments Cover Overhead ⁵	15.7%	17.4%	14.9%
Medicaid payments Do Not Cover Overhead	55.1%	60.2%	51.5%
<i>Do not know whether Medicaid Payments Cover Overhead</i>	29.2%	22.4%	33.7%
Percent who will see more Medicaid patients with Increased Reimbursement	31.1%	35.2%	31.6%
Percentage of Customary Fee for Well-child Visit Needed to:			
Accept More, or any, Medicaid patients	87.6%	84.3%	83.1%
Accept All Medicaid patients	91.5%	88.6%	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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	<u>Alabama</u>	<u>East South Central</u> (Region includes: AL, KY, MS & TN)	<u>US</u>
<u>Reasons for Limiting Participation in Medicaid</u>			
<i>Percent Pediatricians who rated reason "Very Important"</i>			
Low Reimbursement	63.2%	70.4%	56.3%
Paperwork Concerns	49.4%	45.2%	39.4%
Unpredictable Payments	64.3%	59.8%	38.7%
Payment Delays	60.9%	47.2%	31.2%
Missed Appointments	27.6%	30.8%	34.1%
Increasing State Managed Care Requirements	40.7%	43.8%	30.5%
Medicaid Program Too Complex	42.2%	39.5%	28.1%
Emergency Room Use	29.9%	33.9%	30.0%
Medicaid Patients Less Compliant	32.1%	30.9%	30.5%
Regulations Interfere with Quality Medical Care	22.4%	29.6%	18.3%
<u>Managed Care Plans Requiring Medicaid Patients</u> ³			
Acceptance of Medicaid Patients Required	2.2%	4.5%	10.1%
Acceptance of Medicaid Patients Not Required	70.3%	64.2%	43.0%
<i>Do not know</i>	27.5%	31.3%	46.9%
<u>Medicaid Patients' Payment Systems</u>			
Managed Care, capitation	22.9% [~]	27.8%	33.3%
Managed Care, reduced fee-for-service	55.7%	53.2%	42.7%
Non-managed Care System (i.e., traditional fee-for-service)	18.3% [~]	18.2%	21.4%
Other	3.2% [~]	0.9%	2.6%
<u>SCHIP Patients' Payment Systems</u>			
Managed Care, capitation	2.9% [~]	11.8%	33.6%
Managed Care, reduced fee-for-service	61.1%	55.5%	47.2%
Non-managed Care System (i.e., traditional fee-for-service)	32.3% [~]	30.8%	17.1%
Other	3.7% [~]	2.0%	2.1%

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<u>Patient Source of Payment</u>			
Commercial Insurance	66.4%	63.0%	66.6%
Medicaid	25.5%	29.0%	24.0%
SCHIP (if separate from Medicaid)	2.7%	1.2%	2.6%
Medicare	0.0%	0.3%	0.4%
Uninsured	5.4%	6.5%	6.4%
<i>Percent of Services to Uninsured Patients that are Uncompensated:</i>	34.4%	33.0%	32.7%
<u>Patients' Payment Systems</u>			
Managed Care, capitation	7.2%	13.6%	29.2%
Managed Care, reduced fee-for-service	43.8%	45.9%	39.9%
Non-managed Care System (i.e., traditional fee-for-service)	46.1%	37.6%	27.4%
Other	2.9%	2.9%	3.5%
<u>Patient Caseload</u>			
At Capacity	56.7%	59.9%	59.2%
Under Capacity	30.0%	25.1%	26.5%
Over Capacity	13.3%	15.0%	14.3%
<i>Average Number of Patients in Practice</i>	5,394	4,702	4,396
<u>Work Load</u>			
At Capacity	56.0%	59.7%	60.3%
Under Capacity	29.7%	23.8%	22.9%
Over Capacity	14.3%	16.5%	16.8%
<u>Practice Location</u>			
Large Metropolitan (Population 1 Million or Above)	7.9%	13.4%	29.1%
Small Metropolitan (Population 50K to 1 Million)	57.3%	42.3%	41.9%
Nonmetropolitan (Population Between 2.5K to 50 K)	31.5%	39.2%	26.2%
Rural (Population 2.5 K or Under)	3.4%	5.1%	2.8%

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<u>Primary Setting</u>			
Self-Employed Solo Practice	14.4%	12.7%	13.0%
Two Physician Practice	11.1%	9.5%	8.6%
Pediatric Group Practice	61.1%	56.9%	48.4%
Multispecialty Group	8.9%	14.7%	17.4%
HMO (Staff Model)	1.1%	0.5%	4.3%
Medical School	1.1%	0.8%	0.6%
Non-government Hospital	2.2%	1.4%	2.8%
Government Hospital or Clinic	0.0%	no data	0.3%
Other Setting	0.0%	3.5%	4.5%
<u>Percent Time Spent in Professional Activity</u>²			
	<u>Percent</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>N</u> <u>Percent</u> <u>N</u>
Direct Patient Care	95.0%	87	94.5% 305 91.5% 3,667
Self-employed	94.4%	61	94.4% 199 90.4% 2,075
Other than Self-employed	96.3%	26	90.6% 112 84.2% 1,733
Administration	9.8%	33	8.6% 133 11.7% 1,739
Academic Medicine	6.7%	7	6.8% 43 10.2% 686
Research	10.0%	1	7.0% 11 8.8% 112
Fellowship Training	10.0%	1	7.8% 6 9.6% 77
Other Activity	6.0%	4	7.8% 10 11.5% 209
<u>Percent Time Spent in (Sub)Specialty</u>²			
General Pediatrics	100.0%	92	100.0% 316 100.0% 3,771
Other Specialty / Subspecialty Area	-	0	no data 0 no data 0
<u>Gender</u>			
Male	52.7%		53.9% 51.5%
Female	47.3%		46.1% 48.5%
<u>Age</u>			
Under 45	59.1%		54.2% 52.7%
45 or Above	40.9%		45.8% 47.3%
Mean Age	43.9		44.6 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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