

# Pediatrician Participation in Medicaid/SCHIP

Survey of Fellows of the American Academy of Pediatrics, 2000



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## Dist of Columbia

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

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PEDIATRICIAN PARTICIPATION IN MEDICAID / SCHIP - Dist of Columbia

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

	<u>Dist of Columbia</u>	<u>South Atlantic</u>	<u>US</u>
		(Region includes: DC, DE, FL, GA, MD, NC, SC, VA & WV)	
<b><u>Survey Sample</u></b>			
Number of Non-federal Pediatricians (1998) <sup>2</sup>	377	10,048	54,988
AAP Fellows Surveyed	206	2,521	13,050
Survey Response Rate	61.7%	66.2%	66.8%
Surveys Included in this Report <sup>1</sup>	18	675	3,773
<b><u>Medicaid Enrollment and Expenditures, FY 1998</u></b> <sup>3</sup>			
Total Medicaid Enrollees	138,722	7,032,022	40,377,603
Percent Child Enrollees <sup>4</sup>	55.2%	57.2%	56.1%
Total Medicaid Payments	\$731 M	\$21,733 M	\$142,058 M
Percent Payments to Children <sup>4</sup>	21.3%	25.7%	23.3%
Average Payments per Child Enrollee	\$1,851	\$1,357	\$1,449
<b><u>Pediatrician Participation in Medicaid/SCHIP</u></b>			
Currently Participate in Medicaid / SCHIP	52.9% / NS	87.5% / 86.0%	87.8% / 86.4%
Percent who accept ALL Medicaid/ SCHIP / Private Patients	<u>Medicaid</u> 60.0% <u>SCHIP</u> NS <u>Private</u> 70.0%	<u>Medicaid</u> 58.8% <u>SCHIP</u> 61.4% <u>Private</u> 72.4%	<u>Medicaid</u> 54.6% <u>SCHIP</u> 60.2% <u>Private</u> 70.8%
with Patient Caseload At Capacity	71.4% NS 71.4%	57.1% 60.4% 69.2%	52.3% 59.0% 66.9%
with Patient Caseload Under Capacity	0.0% NS 100.0%	63.9% 68.1% 86.3%	59.3% 65.5% 83.6%
with Patient Caseload Over Capacity	100.0% NS 0.0%	51.7% 53.1% 56.4%	53.8% 56.2% 62.0%
<b><u>Medicaid Reimbursement and Participation</u></b>			
Medicaid Payments Cover Overhead <sup>5</sup>	7.1%	21.8%	14.9%
Medicaid payments Do Not Cover Overhead	57.1%	45.3%	51.5%
<i>Do not know whether Medicaid Payments Cover Overhead</i>	35.7%	32.9%	33.7%
Percent who will see more Medicaid patients with Increased Reimbursement	6.3%	42.5%	31.6%
Percentage of Customary Fee for Well-child Visit Needed to:			
Accept More, or any, Medicaid patients	93.8%	83.8%	83.1%
Accept All Medicaid patients	91.7%	88.5%	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	60.0%	48.4%	56.3%
Paperwork Concerns	53.3%	38.4%	39.4%
Unpredictable Payments	60.0%	34.8%	38.7%
Payment Delays	46.7%	25.3%	31.2%
Missed Appointments	20.0%	35.9%	34.1%
Increasing State Managed Care Requirements	14.3%	28.8%	30.5%
Medicaid Program Too Complex	26.7%	24.8%	28.1%
Emergency Room Use	13.3%	30.1%	30.0%
Medicaid Patients Less Compliant	20.0%	29.2%	30.5%
Regulations Interfere with Quality Medical Care	13.3%	15.1%	18.3%
<b><u>Managed Care Plans Requiring Medicaid Patients</u></b> <sup>3</sup>			
Acceptance of Medicaid Patients Required	12.5%	9.7%	10.1%
Acceptance of Medicaid Patients Not Required	6.3%	39.7%	43.0%
<i>Do not know</i>	81.3%	50.7%	46.9%
<b><u>Medicaid Patients' Payment Systems</u></b>			
Managed Care, capitation	65.0%	28.4%	33.3%
Managed Care, reduced fee-for-service	27.5%	48.0%	42.7%
Non-managed Care System (i.e., traditional fee-for-service)	7.5%	20.0%	21.4%
Other	0.0%	3.6%	2.6%
<b><u>SCHIP Patients' Payment Systems</u></b>			
Managed Care, capitation	NS	28.2%	33.6%
Managed Care, reduced fee-for-service	NS	49.9%	47.2%
Non-managed Care System (i.e., traditional fee-for-service)	NS	17.2%	17.1%
Other	NS	4.8%	2.1%

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<b><u>Patient Source of Payment</u></b>			
Commercial Insurance	58.5%	59.7%	66.6%
Medicaid	33.0%	29.7%	24.0%
SCHIP (if separate from Medicaid)	NS	2.7%	2.6%
Medicare	0.1%	0.5%	0.4%
Uninsured	8.1%	7.4%	6.4%
<i>Percent of Services to Uninsured Patients that are Uncompensated:</i>	56.7%	31.5%	32.7%
<b><u>Patients' Payment Systems</u></b>			
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Managed Care, reduced fee-for-service	15.0%	42.2%	39.9%
Non-managed Care System (i.e., traditional fee-for-service)	35.5%	25.6%	27.4%
Other	15.5%	3.8%	3.5%
<b><u>Patient Caseload</u></b>			
At Capacity	50.0%	61.4%	59.2%
Under Capacity	25.0%	25.8%	26.5%
Over Capacity	25.0%	12.8%	14.3%
<i>Average Number of Patients in Practice</i>	4,057	5,144	4,396
<b><u>Work Load</u></b>			
At Capacity	56.3%	61.9%	60.3%
Under Capacity	18.8%	22.0%	22.9%
Over Capacity	25.0%	16.1%	16.8%
<b><u>Practice Location</u></b>			
Large Metropolitan (Population 1 Million or Above)	77.8%	27.0%	29.1%
Small Metropolitan (Population 50K to 1 Million)	22.2%	44.0%	41.9%
Nonmetropolitan (Population Between 2.5K to 50 K)	0.0%	24.6%	26.2%
Rural (Population 2.5 K or Under)	0.0%	4.5%	2.8%

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<b><u>Primary Setting</u></b>			
Self-Employed Solo Practice	5.6%	11.5%	13.0%
Two Physician Practice	16.7%	10.1%	8.6%
Pediatric Group Practice	22.2%	57.3%	48.4%
Multispecialty Group	5.6%	8.8%	17.4%
HMO (Staff Model)	11.1%	4.1%	4.3%
Medical School	0.0%	0.3%	0.6%
Non-government Hospital	16.7%	2.5%	2.8%
Government Hospital or Clinic	0.0%	0.4%	0.3%
Other Setting	22.2%	5.0%	4.5%
<b><u>Percent Time Spent in Professional Activity</u><sup>2</sup></b>			
	<b><u>Percent</u></b>	<b><u>N</u></b>	<b><u>Percent</u></b>
			<b><u>N</u></b>
Direct Patient Care	79.0%	18	91.3%
			660
Self-employed	79.8%	6	88.8%
			373
Other than Self-employed	72.5%	13	87.2%
			311
Administration	9.6%	11	11.4%
			332
Academic Medicine	9.3%	12	10.9%
			129
Research	23.3%	6	9.9%
			19
Fellowship Training	20.0%	1	12.7%
			16
Other Activity		0	12.1%
			35
			11.5%
			209
<b><u>Percent Time Spent in (Sub)Specialty</u><sup>2</sup></b>			
General Pediatrics	100.0%	18	100.0%
			675
Other Specialty / Subspecialty Area		0	no data
			0
			no data
			0
<b><u>Gender</u></b>			
Male	44.4%		53.3%
Female	55.6%		46.7%
			51.5%
			48.5%
<b><u>Age</u></b>			
Under 45	50.0%		56.9%
45 or Above	50.0%		43.1%
Mean Age	45.6		44.2
			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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