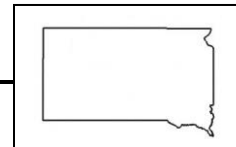


Hepatitis C: State of Medicaid Access Report Card

South Dakota

Estimated Number of Individuals Living with Hepatitis C: 6,300¹



Grade	Summary
<h1 style="font-size: 2em; color: #8B0000;">F</h1>	<p>Liver Damage (Fibrosis) Restrictions: South Dakota requires a biopsy confirming severe liver damage (F3 or greater) to qualify for treatment.</p> <p>Sobriety Restrictions: South Dakota requires documentation showing six months abstinence from alcohol and substance use.</p> <p>Prescriber Restrictions: South Dakota requires a specialist to prescribe treatment.</p> <p>Recommendations to Improve Patient Access:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove liver damage, sobriety and prescriber requirements. • Maintain transparency regarding hepatitis C coverage requirements. • Remove the requirement for a biopsy to assess liver damage and allow for the option of less invasive staging methods. <p><i>Grade Rationale: South Dakota imposes unacceptable hepatitis C coverage restrictions in all categories. With these restrictions, very few people with hepatitis C have access to treatment. The state also requires a biopsy to assess liver damage when there are less invasive staging methods available.</i></p>

Background

As of May 2017, South Dakota had 118,960 individuals enrolled in Medicaid and Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP).² The South Dakota Department of Social Services (DSS) manages the Medicaid program.³ DSS operates a Fee-For-Service (FFS) program and a Primary Care Case Management system (PCCM) known as PRIME.⁴ Most beneficiaries, 80 percent, are enrolled in PRIME; the remaining 20 percent participate in FFS.⁵ South Dakota Medicaid establishes hepatitis C coverage criteria for the whole program and there is coverage parity across the PCCM and FFS. These criteria reflect South Dakota’s aggressive approach and management of the pharmacy benefit. The 2015 Medicaid Report states, “this management approach includes a strong clinical prior authorization process, as well as the utilization of a Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee and Drug Utilization and Review Committee comprised of pharmacists and physicians.”⁶

State of Medicaid Hepatitis C Treatment Access

South Dakota severely restricts access to hepatitis C medications. Beneficiaries must receive prior authorization (PA) and be at least 18 years old to qualify for treatment.⁷ Beneficiaries must have severe liver damage (F3 or greater) and be abstinent from alcohol and substance use for the past six months.⁸ A prescription must be written by a specialist.⁹

South Dakota has not established a Preferred Drug List (PDL).¹⁰ Rather, each Direct-Acting Antiviral (DAA) has its own PA form.¹¹ The PA indicates which hepatitis C Genotypes the DAA could be prescribed: Genotype 1 (Daklinza, Epclusa, Harvoni, Olysio, Sovaldi, Viekira XR, Viekira Pak, Zepatier); Genotype 2 (Epclusa, Sovaldi); Genotype 3 (Epclusa, Daklinza, Sovaldi); Genotype 4 (Epclusa, Harvoni, Olysio, Sovaldi, Technivie, Zepatier); Genotype 5 (Epclusa, Harvoni); Genotype 6 (Epclusa, Harvoni).¹² An additional challenge for beneficiaries accessing hepatitis C medications is that South Dakota imposes a \$3.30 co-pay on non-generic prescription drugs.¹³

Liver Damage (Fibrosis) Restrictions

South Dakota requires a biopsy, unless medically contraindicated, confirming severe liver damage (F3 or greater) to qualify for treatment.¹⁴ Beneficiaries who document severe hepatic manifestations could also qualify for treatment.¹⁵

Sobriety Restrictions

South Dakota requires documentation showing the beneficiary is abstinent from alcohol and substance use for the past six months.¹⁶

Prescriber Restrictions

South Dakota requires a hepatologist, gastroenterologist, or infectious disease specialist to prescribe hepatitis C medications.¹⁷

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