

Hepatitis C: State of Medicaid Access Report Card

Indiana



Grade	Recommendations to Improve Patient Access
A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remove retreatment restrictions.

State Overview

As of October 2023, 1,882,610 individuals were enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP.¹ As of 2016, an estimated 40,200 people were living with HCV in Indiana. As of July 1, 2022, 83.7% of Indiana Medicaid beneficiaries were enrolled in an MCO, with the other 16.3% enrolled in fee-for-service (FFS).² Indiana contracts with four managed care organizations (MCO): Anthem, CareSource Indiana, Managed Health Services, and MDwise.³ Since 2016,⁴ Hepatitis C medications have been “carved out” of MCO plan benefits, and reimbursed through FFS.⁵ Hepatitis C coverage requirements are thus determined by the FFS program for all beneficiaries.

The Indiana Medicaid Preferred Drug List designates Mavyret, sofosbuvir/velpatasvir, and Zepatier as preferred regimens.⁶

Deductions		Policy
Prior Authorization		Prior authorization is not required for treatment-naïve patients taking preferred regimens. While patients must still meet age and quantity limits, eligibility is determined using administrative databases. ⁷
Fibrosis Restrictions		Indiana Medicaid does not impose fibrosis restrictions. ⁸
Substance Use Restrictions		Indiana Medicaid does not impose substance use restrictions. ⁹
Prescriber Restrictions		Indiana Medicaid does not impose prescriber restrictions. ¹⁰
Retreatment Restrictions	-8	Indiana Medicaid imposes restrictions on retreatment. Patients must document the reason they are seeking retreatment; if a patient was non-compliant for any reason other than treatment intolerance, the prior authorization request triggers “an administrative review,” and the prescriber “must provide documentation regarding rationale and methodology to ensure the member will be able to comply with therapy.” ¹¹
Access in Managed Care		Coverage for HCV treatment is carved out of MCO contracts, ensuring that MCO enrollees have the same access to HCV treatment as FFS. ¹² Additionally, all 4 MCOs (Anthem, ¹³ CareSource Indiana, ¹⁴ Managed Health Services, ¹⁵ and MDwise ¹⁶), link to the Statewide Uniform Preferred Drug List.
Additional Restrictions		Indiana Medicaid does not impose additional restrictions for preferred regimens. ¹⁷
Total Deductions	-8	Total Score [100-Deductions]
		92
		Grade
		A

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Key Sources

Preferred Drug List: [Indiana Medicaid Statewide Uniform Preferred Drug List \(Feb. 2024\)](#)

Clinical Criteria: [OptumRx, Criteria for Indiana Medicaid: Hepatitis C Agents \(Oct. 1, 2023\)](#)

Prior Authorization Form for Retreatment: [OptumRx, Hepatitis C Agents Prior Authorization Request Form \(Oct. 1, 2023\)](#)

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³ Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, Provider Information, <https://perma.cc/V37U-RLMX>.

⁴ Indiana Health Coverage Programs, Bulletin: Hepatitis C Drugs “Carved Out” of Managed Care (August 2, 2016), <https://perma.cc/AV9P-XFR4>.

⁵ Optum, Indiana Medicaid FFS Pharmacy Benefit: Drug Therapies Carved Out of the Managed Care Drug Benefits (January 1, 2024), <https://perma.cc/FY28-PZLD>.

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⁷ Preferred Drug List.

⁸ Clinical Criteria.

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¹¹ Clinical Criteria.

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¹³ Anthem, Pharmacy benefits (accessed Feb. 9, 2024), <https://perma.cc/7LFX-YHWM>.

¹⁴ CareSource, Drug Formulary, <https://perma.cc/CHZ8-RPBT/>.

¹⁵ MHS, Preferred Drug Lists, <https://perma.cc/NF23-TAHZ>.

¹⁶ MDwise, Pharmacy Resources, <https://perma.cc/SLL7-W8UJ>.

¹⁷ Clinical Criteria.

¹⁸ Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning, Organization Chart, <https://perma.cc/FZ4L-872U>; see also FSSA Organizational Directory, <https://perma.cc/9NBN-5R3C>.

¹⁹ Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning, Organization Chart: <https://perma.cc/WNV8-XB2T>.