

Hepatitis C: State of Medicaid Access Report Card

Nevada



Grade	Recommendations to Improve Patient Access
C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remove prior authorization for HCV treatment. Remove specialist requirement for treatment. Ensure transparency and parity across FFS and MCOs regarding HCV coverage criteria. Remove additional restrictions as described below.

State Overview

As of February 2022, 847,424 individuals were enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP.¹ It is estimated that as of 2016, 21,900 people were living with HCV in Nevada.² Nevada Medicaid operates a fee-for-service (FFS) and managed care program. Most beneficiaries, 83 percent, are enrolled in an managed care organization (MCO). The remaining 17 percent participate in FFS.³ Nevada Medicaid contracts with four managed care organizations (MCOs): Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Healthcare Solutions (Anthem)⁴, Health Plan of Nevada, Molina Healthcare of Nevada⁵ and SilverSummit Healthplan (SilverSummit).⁶

The Nevada Medicaid Preferred Drug List includes Eplclusa, Harvoni, ledipasvir/sofosbuvir, and sofosbuvir/velpatasvir.⁷

Deductions		Policy
Prior Authorization	-8	Prior authorization is required for all HCV treatment regimens. ⁸
Fibrosis Restrictions	0	Nevada Medicaid does not impose fibrosis restrictions. ⁹
Substance Use Restrictions	0	Nevada Medicaid does not impose substance use restrictions. ¹⁰
Prescriber Restrictions	-8	Nevada Medicaid requires that treatment be prescribed by or in consultation with one of the following: Hepatologist, Gastroenterologist, Infectious Disease Specialist and HIV Specialist. ¹¹
Retreatment Restrictions	0	Nevada Medicaid does not impose retreatment restrictions. ¹²
Access in Managed Care	-8	Two MCOs, Health Plan of Nevada ¹³ and SilverSummit, ¹⁴ do not publish their criteria. Molina ¹⁵ and Anthem ¹⁶ both appear to impose the same requirements as FFS.
Additional Restrictions	-4	Nevada Medicaid imposes additional restrictions as follows: ¹⁷ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documentation of Genotype. Documentation of chronic infection.
Total Deductions	-28	Total Score [100-Deductions] 72
		Grade C

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Key Sources

Preferred Drug List: [Nevada Medicaid and Nevada Check Up Preferred Drug List \(PDL\) \(Nov. 1, 2021\)](#)

Clinical Criteria: [Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, Medicaid Services Manual: Anti-Hepatitis Agents \(Apr. 22, 2021\)](#)

Prior Authorization Form: [Nevada Medicaid, Hepatitis C Agents Prior Authorization Request Form \(Aug. 31, 2021\)](#)

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 - ² HepVu, Local Data: Nevada: <https://hepvu.org/state/nevada>.
 - ³ Kaiser Family Foundation, Share of Medicaid Population Covered Under Different Delivery Systems (July 1, 2021): <https://perma.cc/SY4K-FFQ5>.
 - ⁴ Managed Markets Insight and Technology, LLC., Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Healthcare Solutions (Anthem) Formulary (May 16, 2022): https://client.formularynavigator.com/Search.aspx?siteCode=1200880062&targetScreen=3&drugBrandListBaseTC=*antivirals%257c*hepatitis%2Bc%2Bagent%2B-%2Bcombinations***.
 - ⁵ Molina Health Care, Hepatitis C Agents Prior Authorization Request Form (Oct. 29, 2021): <https://www.molinahealthcare.com/-/media/Molina/PublicWebsite/PDF/Providers/nv/PriorAuth/FA-167-Hep-C-Agents.pdf>.
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 - ¹⁰ Clinical Criteria.
 - ¹¹ Clinical Criteria.
 - ¹² Clinical Criteria.
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 - ¹⁴ SilverSummit Health Plan, Pharmacy: <https://www.silversummithealthplan.com/members/medicaid/benefits-services/pharmacy.html>.
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 - ¹⁶ Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Healthcare Solutions Formulary, Antivirals: https://client.formularynavigator.com/Search.aspx?siteCode=1200880062&targetScreen=2&tcSubListFromScreen=search&tcSubListBaseName=*ANTIVIRALS*.
 - ¹⁷ Clinical Criteria.
 - ¹⁸ National Association of Medicaid Directors, Medicaid Directors: <https://perma.cc/RK6K-TFKK>.
 - ¹⁹ Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, P& T Committee: <https://www.medicaid.nv.gov/providers/rx/pt/PTCommittee.aspx>.