

Hepatitis C: State of Medicaid Access Report Card

New York



Grade	Recommendations to Improve Patient Access
A+	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to ensure broad access to HCV treatment.

State Overview

As of September 2023, 7,399,384 individuals were enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP.¹ It is estimated that as of 2016, 116,000 people were living with HCV in New York.² New York operates a fee-for-service (FFS) program and contracts with managed care organizations (MCOs). Most beneficiaries, 77.4 percent, are enrolled in a MCO plan and the remaining 22.6 percent participate in fee-for-service (FFS).³ New York Medicaid contracts with 17 MCOs: Amida Care (SNP), Capital District Physician’s Health Plan, Empire HealthChoice HMO, Excellus Health Plan, Health Insurance Plan of Greater New York, Healthfirst Health Plan, Healthfirst PHSP, Highmark Western and Northeastern New York, HealthPlus HP, Independent Health Association, MetroPlus Health Plan, MetroPlus Health Plan (SNP), Molina Healthcare of New York, MVP Health Plan, New York Quality Healthcare Corporation, UnitedHealthcare of New York, and VNS Choice SNP.⁴ New York excludes Medicaid pharmacy benefits from MCO contracts, thus all MCOs follow FFS requirements.⁵

The New York Medicaid Preferred Drug List includes Mavyret, sofosbuvir/velpatasvir, and Vosevi.⁶

Deductions		Policy
Prior Authorization		For preferred regimens, prior authorization is not required if the individual is treatment-naïve and has a confirmed diagnosis of hepatitis C. ⁷
Fibrosis Restrictions		New York Medicaid does not impose fibrosis restrictions. ⁸
Substance Use Restrictions		New York Medicaid does not impose substance use restrictions. ⁹
Prescriber Restrictions		New York Medicaid does not impose prescriber restrictions. ¹⁰
Retreatment Restrictions		New York Medicaid does not impose retreatment restrictions. ¹¹
Access in Managed Care		All NY Medicaid members enrolled in managed care receive their prescription drugs through Medicaid FFS. ¹²
Additional Restrictions		New York Medicaid does not impose any additional restrictions. ¹³
Total Deductions	-0	Total Score [100-Deductions]
		100
		Grade A+

Contact Your State Officials

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Key Sources

Preferred Drug List and Clinical Criteria: [New York State Medicaid, Preferred Drug Program \(Jan. 18, 2024\)](#)

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