

Hepatitis C: State of Medicaid Access Report Card

Rhode Island



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 October 2023, 362,020 individuals were enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP.¹ It is estimated that as of 2016, 10,000 people were living with HCV in Rhode Island.² Approximately 87.5% of Medicaid beneficiaries in Rhode Island are enrolled in an MCO, with the remaining 12.5% enrolled in FFS.³

Rhode Island Medicaid contracts with three managed care organizations (MCOs): Tufts Health RI Together, UnitedHealthcare Community Plan, and Neighborhood Health Plan of Rhode Island.⁴

The Rhode Island Medicaid Preferred Drug List designates Mavyret and Vosevi as preferred drugs.⁵

Deductions		Policy
Prior Authorization		Prior authorization is not required for Mavyret. Prior authorization is not required for Vosevi when used after prior treatment failure. ⁶
Fibrosis Restrictions		Rhode Island Medicaid does not impose fibrosis restrictions. ⁷
Substance Use Restrictions		Rhode Island Medicaid does not impose substance use restrictions. ⁸
Prescriber Restrictions		Rhode Island Medicaid does not impose prescriber restrictions. ⁹
Retreatment Restrictions		Rhode Island Medicaid does not impose retreatment restrictions. ¹⁰
Access in Managed Care		Tufts Health Plan, ¹¹ UnitedHealthcare Community Plan, ¹² and Neighborhood Health Plan of Rhode Island ¹³ impose the same requirements as FFS.
Additional Restrictions		Rhode Island Medicaid does not appear to impose additional restrictions. ¹⁴
Total Deductions	-0	Total Score [100-Deductions]
		100
		Grade
		A+

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Key Sources

Preferred Drug List: [RI HHS, Rhode Island Medicaid Fee for Service Preferred Drug List \(Oct. 3, 2023\)](#)

Prior Authorization Guidelines: [RI HHS, Treatment of Hepatitis C Prior Authorization Guidelines \(Jan. 1, 2022\)](#)

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 - ¹³ Neighborhood Health Plan, 2024 Medicaid Drug Formulary (Jan. 1, 2024), <https://perma.cc/MU6V-P488>.
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