Hepatitis C: State of Medicaid Access Report Card

New Hampshire



Grade	Recommendations to Improve Patient Access		
A+	 Continue to ensure broad access to HCV treatment. Remove the limitations on prescriber eligibility for exemption of prior authorization in treatment-naïve patients. 		

State Overview

As of July 2025, 184,143 individuals were enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP in New Hampshire.¹ It is estimated that as of 2016, 7,700 people were living with HCV in New Hampshire.² New Hampshire Medicaid operates a fee-for-service (FFS) program and contracts with managed care organizations (MCOs).³ Most beneficiaries, 98 percent, are enrolled in an MCO, and the remaining 2 percent participate in FFS.⁴ New Hampshire Medicaid contracts with three managed care organizations (MCOs): AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire (AmeriHealth), NH Healthy Families, and WellSense Health Plan (WellSense).⁵

The New Hampshire Medicaid Preferred Drug List lists ledipasvir/sofosbuvir, Mavyret, and sofosbuvir/velpatasvir as preferred regimens.⁶

Deductions		Policy		
Prior Authorization		For treatment-naïve individuals (1-year lookback), prior authorization is not required if they are prescribed a preferred regimen. ⁷		
Fibrosis Restrictions		New Hampshire Medicaid does not impose fibrosis restrictions.8		
Substance Use Restrictions		New Hampshire Medicaid does not impose substance use restrictions.9		
Prescriber Restrictions		New Hampshire Medicaid does not impose prescriber restrictions. However for treatment-naïve patients, prior authorization appears to only be waived for certain prescribers: "Drug must be prescribed by, or in consultation with, a gastroenterologist, hepatologist, infectious disease physician, or the prescriber must have completed continuing medical education on the treatment of hepatitis C." ¹⁰		
Retreatment Restrictions		New Hampshire Medicaid does not impose undue retreatment restrictions. For patients that are treatment experienced, the state requires that the prescription must be prescribed by or in consultation with a specialist, for the prescriber must have completed continuing medical education on the treatment of hepatitis C. 12		
Access in Managed Care		All MCOs, AmeriHealth ¹³ , NH Healthy Families ¹⁴ , and WellSense ¹⁵ , appear to follow FFS criteria.		
Additional Restrictions		New Hampshire Medicaid does not impose any additional restrictions. ¹⁶		
Total Deductions		Total Score [100-Deductions]	Grade	
-0		100	A+	

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Key Sources

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Clinical Criteria: New Hampshire Medicaid FFS Program, Hepatitis C Criteria (Nov. 21, 2024)

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