

Hepatitis C: State of Medicaid Access Report Card

South Carolina



Grade	Recommendations to Improve Patient Access
B	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Remove prior authorization for HCV treatment.Remove additional restrictions as described below.

State Overview

As of June 2025, 1,013,694 individuals were enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP. South Carolina has not expanded coverage to low-income adults.¹ It is estimated that as of 2016, 30,700 people were living with HCV in South Carolina.² Approximately 81% of Medicaid beneficiaries in South Carolina are enrolled in an MCO, with the other 19% in FFS.³ South Carolina Medicaid contracts with five managed care organizations (MCOs): Absolute Total Care, First Choice by Select Health, Healthy Blue by BlueChoice, Humana Healthy Horizons, and Molina Healthcare.⁴

The South Carolina Medicaid Preferred Drug List includes Mavyret, sofosbuvir/velpatasvir, Epclusa, and Vosevi.⁵

Deductions		Policy
Prior Authorization	-8	Prior authorization is required for all HCV treatment regimens. ⁶
Fibrosis Restrictions		South Carolina Medicaid does not impose fibrosis restrictions. ⁷
Substance Use Restrictions		South Carolina Medicaid does not impose substance use restrictions. ⁸
Prescriber Restrictions		South Carolina Medicaid does not impose undue prescriber restrictions. If the patient has decompensated cirrhosis, the patient must be referred to a transplant center or subspecialty care. ⁹
Retreatment Restrictions		South Carolina Medicaid does not impose retreatment restrictions. ¹⁰
Access in Managed Care		Absolute Total Care, First Choice, Healthy Blue, Humana, and Molina all use the same requirements as fee-for-service. ¹¹
Additional Restrictions	-4	South Carolina Medicaid imposes additional restrictions as follows ¹² : <ul style="list-style-type: none">All tests must be collected within 6 months of requesting treatment.Documentation of genotype.
Total Deductions	-12	Total Score [100-Deductions] 88
		Grade B

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Key Sources

Preferred Drug List: [South Carolina Medicaid, Preferred Drug List \(July 1, 2025\).](#)

Prior Authorization Form: [South Carolina Medicaid, Prior Authorization Form - Hepatitis C \(May 3, 2023\).](#)

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- ⁸ Prior Authorization Form.
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- ¹⁰ Prior Authorization Form.
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- ¹⁴ South Carolina Pharmacy Services, P&T Committee, <https://perma.cc/9N5A-PW49>.