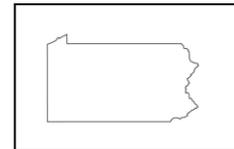


Hepatitis C: State of Medicaid Access Report Card

South Dakota



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

State Overview

As of June 2025, 139,653 individuals were enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP.¹ It is estimated that as of 2016, 3,700 people were living with HCV in South Dakota.² South Dakota Medicaid does not contract with any managed care organizations (MCOs). Instead, 66% of Medicaid enrollees in South Dakota are enrolled in a Primary Care Case Management (PCCM) program, with the other 34% enrolled in FFS.³ South Dakota Medicaid contracts with OptumRx to process pharmacy claims and pharmacy prior authorizations.⁴

South Dakota Medicaid has a limited Preferred Drug List that includes Mavyret and sofosbuvir/velpatasvir.⁵

Deductions		Policy
Prior Authorization	-8	Prior authorization is required for all Direct-Acting Antiviral (DAA) HCV treatment regimens. ⁶
Fibrosis Restrictions		South Dakota Medicaid does not impose fibrosis restrictions. ⁷
Substance Use Restrictions		South Dakota Medicaid does not appear to impose substance use restrictions. ⁸
Prescriber Restrictions		South Dakota Medicaid does not appear to impose prescriber restrictions. ⁹
Retreatment Restrictions		South Dakota Medicaid does not appear to impose retreatment restrictions. ¹⁰
Access in Managed Care		South Dakota does not contract with MCOs. ¹¹
Additional Restrictions	-2	South Dakota Medicaid imposes additional restrictions as follows ¹² : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documentation of genotype.
Total Deductions	-10	Total Score [100-Deductions] 90
		Grade A

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Key Sources

Preferred Drug List: [South Dakota DSS, Preferred Drug List \(2025\)](#)

Prior Authorization Form: [South Dakota DSS, Hepatitis C Prior Authorization Request Form \(Feb. 2025\)](#)

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