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1. MEDICARE OVERVIEW FOR PENNSYLVANIA (UPDATED 3-11-21)

Pennsylvania Medicare enrollment was about 2.8 million in 2020, with about 1.2 million enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan. About 15% of the state's total Medicare populations is comprised of individuals with disabilities. Pennsylvania was not involved in a dual demonstration. However, the state had just over 178,000 Special Needs Plan members as of November 2020. Enrollment in the state's MLTSS program, Community HealthChoices (CHC), reached about 379,000 as of October 2020.

2. MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PLAN FINANCIALS

Medicare Advantage plans in Pennsylvania generated total premiums of \$13.7 billion in 2019 and medical costs of \$11.4 billion. Average MLR was 83.3% before reinsurance recoveries.

(Note: Financial metrics and comparisons presented in this overview are based on health plan NAIC filings in the state. Measures like per member per month premiums and medical loss ratios may vary greatly by plan and by state depending on the mix of business and other factors.)

Pennsylvania Medicare Advantage Plan Financials, 2019							
Plan	Publicly Traded	Enrollment	Member Months	PMPM	Premiums Earned (000)	Medical Costs (000)	MLR ⁽¹⁾
Capital Blue Cross	N	30,870	370,571	\$1,047.87	\$388,311	\$350,938	90.4%
Centene Corp./PA Health & Wellness	Υ	2,832	23,839	\$1,205.09	\$28,728	\$23,117	80.5%
Cigna Corp./Bravo	Υ	45,987	545,472	\$1,302.59	\$710,527	\$597,397	84.1%
Clover Health Investments Corp.	Υ	152	1,681	\$672.71	\$1,131	\$1,162	102.8%(2)
CVS Health Corp.	Υ	178,151	2,099,881	\$1,024.18	\$2,150,649	\$1,633,875	76.0% ⁽²⁾
Gateway Health	Υ	46,811	568,315	\$1,387.94	\$788,787	\$648,173	82.2%
Geisinger Caring	N	94,390	1,131,149	\$1,010.71	\$1,143,266	\$1,014,126	88.9%
Health Partners Plans, Inc.	N	15,875	196,909	\$1,310.37	\$258,024	\$230,033	88.3%
Highmark	Υ	220,387	2,682,743	\$1,067.18	\$2,862,970	\$2,365,391	82.6% ⁽²⁾
Humana Inc.	Υ	62,649	720,176	\$939.15	\$676,352	\$553,110	81.8% ⁽²⁾
Independence Health Group, Inc.	Υ	106,602	1,282,691	\$1,165.38	\$1,494,818	\$1,270,757	85.0%
Lasso Healthcare	N	107	1,220	\$511.36	\$624	\$675	108.3%(2)
Provider Partners Health Group	Υ	750	8,373	\$2,128.64	\$17,823	\$13,198	74.3%
Spartan Plan	Υ	209	2,216	\$1,485.33	\$3,291	\$4,035	129.9%
UnitedHealth Group	Υ	46,992	542,015	\$1,336.67	\$724,494	\$600,958	82.9% ⁽²⁾
UPMC Health Plan	N	192,533	2,296,863	\$1,064.11	\$2,444,115	\$2,097,789	85.8% ⁽²⁾
Total		1,045,297	12,474,114	\$1,097.79	\$13,693,909	\$11,404,735	83.3%

(1) After reinsurance recoveries. (2) Before reinsurance recoveries.

Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence, NAIC, HMA

Pennsylvania Medicare Advantage Plan Financials, 2018							
					Premiums		
	Publicly		Member		Earned	Medical	
Plan	Traded	Enrollment	Months	PMPM	(000)	Costs (000)	MLR ⁽¹⁾
Capital Blue Cross	N	30,669	368,360	\$995.91	\$366,854	\$321,157	87.5%
Centene Corp./PA Health & Wellness	Υ	729	5,553	\$1,056.10	\$5 <i>,</i> 865	\$4,601	78.5%
Cigna Corp./Bravo	Υ	42,054	500,953	\$1,244.09	\$623,233	\$503,370	80.8%
Clover Health Investments Corp.	Υ	8	100	\$463.04	\$46	\$41	88.0%(2)
CVS Health Corp.	Υ	158,508	1,894,317	\$965.99	\$1,829,889	\$1,473,507	80.5%(2)
Gateway Health	Υ	48,174	584,501	\$1,307.70	\$764 <i>,</i> 354	\$617,252	80.6%
Geisinger Caring	N	95,814	1,140,345	\$989.66	\$1,128,550	\$1,003,788	89.1%
Health Partners Plans, Inc.	N	20,315	246,632	\$1,212.34	\$299,002	\$268,165	89.7%
Highmark	Υ	252,585	3,064,952	\$1,059.42	\$3,247,081	\$2,744,474	84.5% ⁽²⁾
Humana Inc.	Υ	50,792	596,066	\$885.95	\$528,085	\$449,423	85.1% ⁽²⁾
Independence Health Group, Inc.	Υ	105,357	1,269,782	\$1,067.33	\$1,355,272	\$1,198,855	88.5%
Provider Partners Health Group	Υ	634	6,961	\$1,865.31	\$12,984	\$9,589	74.2%
Spartan Plan	Υ	148	1,387	\$1,410.97	\$1,957	\$3,655	200.5%
UnitedHealth Group	Υ	26,279	283,989	\$1,126.81	\$320,002	\$255,072	79.7% ⁽²⁾
UPMC Health Plan	N	182,100	2,142,807	\$990.81	\$2,123,119	\$1,848,658	87.1% ⁽²⁾
Total		1.014.166	12.106.705	\$1.041.27	\$12.606.294	\$10,701,606	84.9%

⁽¹⁾ After reinsurance recoveries. (2) Before reinsurance recoveries.

Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence, NAIC, HMA

3. MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PLAN UTILIZATION METRICS

Medicare Advantage plans averaged 17,483 physician visits per 1000 members in 2018 and 2,450 bed days per 1000. Days per admission averaged 6.5.

Pennsylvania Medicare Advantage Plan Utilization Measures, 2018							
Plan	Physician Visits	Visits Per 000	Inpatient Bed Days	Inpatient Admissions	Bed Days Per 000	Days Per Admission	
Plan Highmark	2 000 502	15 620	C01 FC1	01.022	2.000	7.4	
· ·	3,989,592	15,620	681,561	91,922	2,669	7.4	
UPMC Health Plan	2,794,336	15,649	445,643	58,072	2,496	7.7	
CVS Health Corp.	2,315,936	14,671	205,653	25,419	1,303	8.1	
Independence Health Group, Inc.	3,103,883	29,333	313,578	41,045	2,964	7.6	
Geisinger Caring	1,157,667	12,182	93,853	17,618	988	5.3	
Humana Inc.	957,192	19,270	170,579	16,484	3,434	10.3	
Gateway Health	504,633	10,360	165,667	25,106	3,401	6.6	
Cigna Corp.	767,319	18,381	75,377	11,982	1,806	6.3	
Capital Blue Cross	807,766	26,315	120,988	10,948	3,941	11.1	
UnitedHealth Group	532,380	22,496	92,480	13,061	3,908	7.1	
Health Partners Plans, Inc.	430,812	20,961	35,096	29,187	1,708	1.2	
Centene Corp.	6,095	13,171	1,220	270	2,636	4.5	
Provider Partners Health Group	0	0	1,708	270	2,944	6.3	
Spartan Plan	1,520	12,151	129	30	1,116	4.3	
Clover Health Investments Corp.	264	31,680	12	3	1,440	4.0	
Total	17,369,395	17,483	2,403,544	341,417	2,450	6.5	

Note: Numbers presented are not risk adjusted. Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence, NAIC, HMA

4. MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PLAN PREMIUMS, DEDUCTIBLES, STAR RATINGS

Pennsylvania's top five Medicare Advantage plans had STAR ratings of 3.5 to 4.5 in 2020. Maximum premium ranged from \$170 per month at Geisinger Health to \$301 at UPMC Health System.

Pennsylvania Medicare Advantage Plans Premiums, Deductibles, STAR Ratings, 2020								
Plan	Minimum Premium	Maximum Premium	Minimum Drug Deductible	Maximum Drug Deductible	Minimum Star Rating	Maximum Star Rating		
CVS Health Corporation	0	178	0	300	3.5 Stars	4.5 Stars		
UPMC Health System	0	301	0	435	4 Stars	4.5 Stars		
Highmark Health	0	292	0	0	4 Stars	4.5 Stars		
Independence Health Group, Inc.	0	288	0	435	3.5 Stars	4 Stars		
Geisinger Health	0	170	0	435	3.5 Stars	4 Stars		
Total	0	301	0	435				
Source: CMS								

5. MEDICARE ADVANTAGE ENROLLMENT UPDATE

There were nearly 2.8 million Medicare members in Pennsylvania in 2020, up 1.0% from 2019. Traditional Medicare accounted for more than half of the total at 55.3%; however, its share is declining. Medicare Advantage enrollment accounted for 44.7% of the total at 1.2 million, a 6.1% increase in 2020 compared to year-end 2019. Excluding Prescription Drug Plan and 800 Series enrollment, Medicare Advantage members rose 7.3% to just over 1 million in 2020.

CVS Health is the largest Medicare Advantage plan in the state, followed by UPMC Health System and Highmark Health.

Program	2019	2020
Original Medicaid	1,585,259	1,540,333
% y/y between reporting periods		-2.8%
% of total	57.5%	55.3%
Medicare Advantage, Other Plans	1,174,089	1,246,092
% y/y between reporting periods		6.1%
% of total	42.5%	44.7%
Total Medicare	2,759,348	2,786,425
% y/y between reporting periods		1.0%
MA, Other Plans, Excluding PDP, 800 Series	941,871	1,010,961
% y/y between reporting periods		7.3%

Pennsylvania Medicare Advantage Enrollment, 2019-20						
Plan Name	2019	2020				
CVS Health Corporation	183,034	197,967				
+/- between reporting periods	NA	14,933				
% chg. Between reporting periods	NA	8.2%				
% of total	19.4%	19.6%				
Geisinger Health	88,055	90,324				
+/- between reporting periods	NA	2,269				
% chg. Between reporting periods	NA	2.6%				
% of total	9.3%	8.9%				
Highmark Health	139,374	147,427				
+/- between reporting periods	NA	8,053				
% chg. Between reporting periods	NA	5.8%				
% of total	14.8%	14.6%				
ndependence Health Group, Inc.	100,732	102,097				
+/- between reporting periods	NA	1,365				
% chg. Between reporting periods	NA	1.4%				
% of total	10.7%	10.1%				
UPMC Health System	179,575	191,821				
+/- between reporting periods	NA	12,246				
% chg. Between reporting periods	NA	6.8%				
% of total	19.1%	19.0%				
Total, 5 Top Plans	690,770	729,636				
+/- between reporting periods	NA	38,866				
% chg. Between reporting periods	NA	5.6%				
% of total	73.3%	72.2%				
Total, All Plans	941,871	1,010,961				
+/- between reporting periods	NA	69,090				
% chg. Between reporting periods	NA	7.3%				
% of total	100.0%	100.0%				

Source: CMS, HMA

6. SNPs and Dual Eligibles

Pennsylvania released its 2020 Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) contract, which establishes regulations to improve the integration of Medicare and Medicaid benefits. The contract stipulates that Community HealthChoices managed care plans (CHC-MCOs) are required to have a companion DSNP that matches the regions of their CHC-MCOs' service area. In addition, the contract requires that an MCO provide a single point of contact for a member that is enrolled in its CHC-MCO and aligned DSNP. CHC enrollment was just over 379,000 as of October 2020.

Pennsylvania had just over 178,000 Special Needs Plan members as of November 2020. The bulk of these were in DSNPs. The market leader was Gateway, with a 26.0% share, followed by UPMC at 19.9%.

Plan	2018	2019	Oct-20
AmeriHealth Caritas	15,722	94,251	158,905
+/- between reporting periods		<i>78,529</i>	64,654
% chg. between reporting periods		499.5%	68.6%
% of total	19.3%	43.6%	41.9%
Centene/PA Health & Wellness	22,298	51,036	91,110
+/- between reporting periods		28,738	40,074
% chg. between reporting periods		128.9%	78.5%
% of total	27.4%	23.6%	24.0%
UPMC	43,463	70,884	129,016
+/- between reporting periods		27,421	58,132
% chg. between reporting periods		63.1%	82.0%
% of total	53.3%	32.8%	34.0%
Total Pennsylvania	81,483	216,171	379,031
+/- between reporting periods		134,688	162,860
% chg. between reporting periods		165.3%	75.3%

^{*} The Southwest Zone was implemented in January 2018; Southeast Zone in January 2019; and Lehigh/Capital, Northwest, Northeast Zones in January 2020.

Source: PA Dept. of Human Services, HMA

Plan Name	2018	2019	Oct-20
Southwest Region	81,483	80,755	84,608
+/- between reporting periods	NA	(728)	3,853
% chg. between reporting periods	NA	-0.9%	4.8%
% of total	NA	37.4%	22.3%
Southeast Region	0	135,416	140,759
+/- between reporting periods	NA	135,416	5,343
% chg. between reporting periods	NA	NA	NA
% of total	0.0%	62.6%	37.1%
Northwest Region			29,624
+/- between reporting periods			29,624
% chg. between reporting periods			NA
% of total			7.8%
Northeast Region			51,916
+/- between reporting periods			51,916
% chg. between reporting periods			NA
% of total			13.7%
Lehigh/Capital Region			72,124
+/- between reporting periods			72,124
% chg. between reporting periods			NA
% of total			19.0%
Total Pennsylvania	81,483	216,171	379,031
+/- between reporting periods	NA	134,688	162,860
% chg between reporting periods	NA	165.3%	75.3%

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Source: PA Dept. of Human Services, HMA

Pennsylvania SNP Enrollment by Plan, November 2020							
Plan	Total SNPs	DSNPs	CSNPs	ISNPs	Share		
Gateway Health Plan, Inc.	46,234	46,234			26.0%		
UPMC	35,368	35,368			19.9%		
UnitedHealthcare ¹	26,352	19,840		6,512	14.8%		
Cigna	21,096	18,256	2,585	255	11.8%		
AmeriHealth Caritas	11,330	11,330			6.4%		
HealthPartners	10,242	10,242			5.8%		
Geisinger Health Plan	9,952	9,952			5.6%		
CVS/Aetna	6,279	6,279			3.5%		
Humana	5,663	5,663			3.2%		
Centene	4,705	4,705			2.6%		
Provider Partners	706			706	0.4%		
Spartan Plan	147		17	130	0.1%		
Totals, 12 Plans	178,074	167,869	2,602	7,603	100%		

⁽¹⁾ UnitedHealthcare ISNP enrollment includes Delaware members.

Source: CMS, HMA