

Cover All People (CAP) HB 2164

We all benefit when all people in Oregon have access to comprehensive health care coverage.

Cover All People is a program being developed collaboratively with community to provide health care coverage to medically underserved people including undocumented adults, DACA recipients, legal permanent residents and young adults who age out of Cover All Kids.

The program represents the next step in Oregon's journey to ensure everyone has health care coverage.

What does the bill do?



The bill authorizes OHA to develop and implement a program providing high quality **coverage at the same level as the Oregon Health Plan (OHP)** for all people at or below 138% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) regardless of immigration status, as well as pregnant adults up to 190% FPL.

Who can enroll in the CAP Program?

The **Cover All People Program** would initially narrow the pool of eligible participants based on available funding.

Input from community leaders and partners has helped to shape a proposed design for the 2021-2023 program to initially serve:

1. **Parents, guardians or relative-caregivers** of children/dependents that currently receive care through the Cover All Kids program.
2. Following that initial outreach, the next goal would be to include **children who “age out”** of the Cover All Kids program.



The program will ensure that adults in these categories receive timely and necessary physical, behavioral and oral health care by facilitating access to coordinated care **in the same manner offered to all other adults in Oregon at or below 138% of the FPL.**

The bill includes culturally responsive outreach components to ensure appropriate enrollment and navigation support.

How does the CAP Program impact health and economic outcomes in Oregon?

Healthy parents play a critical role in the wellbeing of their children. Cover All People helps achieve our goals of healthy adults and healthy families in Oregon. It helps reduce costs to people in the future by extending comprehensive health care coverage benefits. Access to health care coverage results in:

IMPROVED HEALTH OUTCOMES FOR KIDS

- When children's parents are insured, children gain better access to health care and improve their health and well-being.ⁱ

- **Medicaid expansions targeted at low-income adults are associated with increased receipt of recommended pediatric preventive care for their children.** A 2017 study found that children are 29% more likely to have an annual well-child visit if their parents are enrolled in Medicaid.ⁱⁱ This research confirms that coverage gains for parents improve children’s access to care. This means that extending coverage to CAK parents will increase the likelihood that CAK children access services.
- **Children’s health and development depends in part on their parents’ health and well-being.**ⁱⁱⁱ Children’s relationships with their parents can influence their brain structure and function. For example, maternal depression can negatively affect children’s cognitive and social-emotional development as well as their educational and employment outcomes.^{iv}

STRONGER ECONOMY

- On average, states which expand coverage have outpaced those states that haven’t in terms of rate of job gains. Having quality health coverage like OHP is **linked to obtaining and maintaining employment**, which benefits the economy in general.
- **Health insurance coverage reduces individual debt** (medical and non-health-related) or delayed care for low-income families, allowing individuals to spend more in the economy, and supports greater productivity in the workplace. Research suggests that gaining comprehensive coverage improves the affordability of care and financial security among low-income patients and their families.^v
- OHP has some of the lowest rates in the nation for Emergency Department visits (ED) per 1,000 member months and scores in the top quartile of all states in follow-up after ED visit for adults with mental illness due to our coordinated care model. **Extending the CCO level of care coordination to adults in this population will continue to result in better care at lower costs.**

Cover All People Program 2021-2023

Quick Facts:

- Likely covers ~1000-2000 adults
- Program starts by March 31, 2022, through June 30, 2023
- Provides comprehensive coverage to wrap around CAWEM
- Could be provided through CCOs
- Partnering with community to further develop the design
- Invests in necessary changes to MMIS and ONEligibility
- COST: \$10 million program



ⁱ <https://www.cbpp.org/sites/default/files/atoms/files/10-20-06health.pdf>

ⁱⁱ Maya Venkataramani et al., “Spillover Effects of Adult Medicaid Expansions on Children’s Use of Preventive Services,” Pediatrics, December 2017, <https://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/140/6/e20170953>.

ⁱⁱⁱ Georgetown Center for Children and Families, “Healthy Parents and Caregivers are Essential to Children’s Healthy Development,” December 2016, <https://ccf.georgetown.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/Parents-and-Caregivers-12-12.pdf>.

^{iv} Joan Alker and Alisa Chester, “Medicaid Expansion Promotes Children’s Development and Family Success by Treating Maternal Depression,” Georgetown Center for Children and Families, July 21, 2016, <https://ccf.georgetown.edu/2016/07/21/medicaid-expansion-promotes-childrens-development-and-family-success-by-treating-maternal-depression/>.

^v Madeline Guth, Rachel Garfield, Robin Rudowitz, “The Effects of Medicaid Expansion under the ACA: Updated Findings from a Literature Review” Mar 17, 2020. <https://www.kff.org/report-section/the-effects-of-medicaid-expansion-under-the-aca-updated-findings-from-a-literature-review-report/>