

ACS CAN Legislative Update

*SD Cancer Coalition Meeting
October 10, 2023*



Introduction to New SD Team



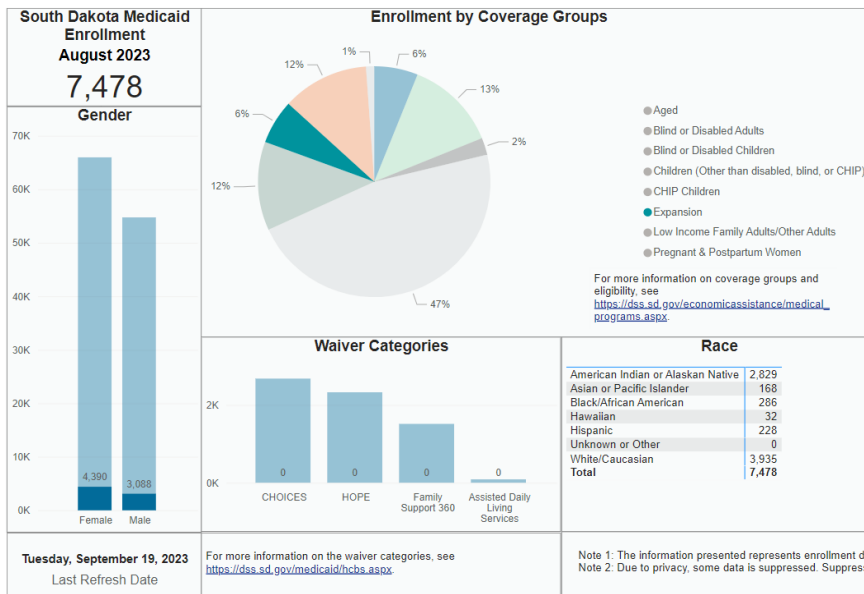
56% of South Dakota Voted YES in November of 2022!



Constitutional Amendment D secured Medicaid expansion coverage for over **42,000 South Dakotans!**



Medicaid Expansion Enrollment



FIND AN AFFORDABLE PLAN FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY



GET COVERED
South Dakota

ENROLL IN HEALTH COVERAGE
STARTING NOVEMBER 1



For more information, check out: <https://dss.sd.gov/keyresources/statistics.aspx>

Medicaid Unwinding



During Covid: Continuous coverage – anyone who qualified for Medicaid got to stay on

Impact:

- More people were able to stay on Medicaid throughout the pandemic
- Uninsured rate dropped, access to care maintained
- States have a lot more people on Medicaid than is normal, and some of them are not still eligible

This is what we have to unwind

Lobby Day & Federal Priorities



Increase Cancer Research and Prevention Funding (FY 24)



- \$51 billion for the National Institutes of Health (NIH),
 - including \$9.988 for cancer research at the National Cancer Institute (NCI)
- \$1.5 billion for the Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health (ARPA-H)
- \$472.4 million for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) cancer programs,
 - including \$230 million for the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program

Prostate-Specific Antigen Screening for High-Risk Insured Men



- Give high risk men improved access to prostate cancer screening by requiring health insurance coverage for evidence-based tests like the prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test, without cost sharing
- High risk men include African Americans and those with a family history of prostate cancer

Medicare Multi-Cancer Early Detection Screening Coverage Act



- Expands access to cancer screening in Medicare
- Once the test has been approved by the FDA and shown to have clinical benefit, the Centers for Medicare, and Medicaid Services (CMS) could initiate a new pathway for coverage.
- The goal is to shorten the wait time for senior citizens, who are at increased risk of cancer, to benefit from new screening tests approved by the FDA.

Looking Ahead: SD Priorities



- Medicaid funding and defense
- Tobacco control and prevention funding
- Vaccination policy
- Identify new cancer advocacy champions for future legislation needs

Cancer Advocacy & You



- Become an ACS CAN member/volunteer
- Follow us on Social Media
 - Facebook.com/ACSCANS
 - Twitter/X @ACSCANS
 - Instagram @ACSCANS
- Share Medicaid expansion stories
- Join us at the State Capitol in 2024—more information to come!

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