Medicaid Scorecards

Methodology Report

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Civil Rights Medicaid Scorecard

Introduction

At the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic and ensuing public health emergency (PHE), the federal government enacted new requirements around Medicaid, most notably a requirement that recipients of Medicaid be continuously enrolled for the duration of the PHE. The PHE ended in early 2023, and as a result states across the country moved to disenroll or "unwind" their Medicaid rolls of people who are deemed ineligible.

This report analyzes the status of Medicaid unwinding in all 50 states and Washington, DC, how many residents of each state are being disenrolled for "procedural reasons" (disenrollments that occur for mainly erroneous reasons like the state not having an enrollee's updated contact information or computer system issues), along with information on which states have expanded Medicaid access to residents as permitted by the Affordable Care Act. This report seeks to evaluate each state and its governors on how much is being done to protect healthcare access for the most vulnerable residents of each state.

Scorecard Methodology

This scorecard uses each state's disenrollment status, Medicaid expansion status, and procedural disenrollment rate to determine passing, incomplete, and failing grades. Procedural disenrollment rate was calculated using the share of people disenrolled for "procedural reasons" compared to the share disenrolled because they were deemed ineligible in each state. The scorecard also considers that the federal government has required several states to pause their disenrollment process because of excessive procedural disenrollment. With these data, the grading criteria below will be used to assess state performance:

GRADE CRITERIA

PASSING	• State has a procedural disenrollment rate at or below 5%, **OR** • State is working towards a comprehensive and accurate automatic renewal process • State has voluntarily paused procedural disenrollments
INCOMPLETE	• State has a procedural disenrollment rate above 5%, **AND** • State was forced to pause disenrollments due to eligibility system issue, **OR** • State has not reported disenrollment data, **OR** • State disenrollment began after *September 30, 2023*
FAILING	• State has a procedural disenrollment rate above 5%, **AND** • State has not paused procedural disenrollments, **OR** • State has not adopted Medicaid Expansion *Moderated grades of **F+** are given to failing states whose governor has proactively advocated for Medicaid expansion, but efforts are being blocked by the State Legislature. Moderated grades of **F-** are automatically given to states that have not adopted Medicaid Expansion.*

GRADING SCALE

A = Pass| I = Incomplete | F = Fail

State Medicaid Scorecard Table				
State	**Governor**	**Party**	**Grade**	**State Info**
Alabama	Kay Ivey	(R)	**F-**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 87% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has not adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has not paused disenrollments
Alaska	Mike Dunleavy	(R)	**I**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 72% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Arizona	Katie Hobbs	(D)	**F**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 71% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has not paused disenrollments.
Arkansas	Sarah Huckabee Sanders	(R)	**F**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 77% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has not paused disenrollments
California	Gavin Newsom	(D)	**F**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 88% • Unwinding began July 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has not paused disenrollments
Colorado	Jared Polis	(D)	**I**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 65% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups

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Connecticut	Ned Lamont	**(D)**	**I**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 80% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Delaware	John Carney	**(D)**	**I**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 57% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
District of Columbia	Muriel Bowser	**(D)**	**I**	City procedural disenrollment rate: 84% • Unwinding began June 2023 • City has adopted Medicaid Expansion • City has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Florida	Ron DeSantis	**(R)**	**F-**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 51% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has not adopted Medicaid Expansion. • States has not paused disenrollments
Georgia	Brian Kemp	**(R)**	**F-**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 86% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has not adopted Medicaid Expansion. • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Hawaii	Josh Green	**(D)**	**A**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 86% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has voluntarily paused procedural disenrollments and is working towards a comprehensive and accurate automatic renewal process

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Idaho	Brad Little	(R)	I	State procedural disenrollment rate: 73% • Unwinding began April 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Illinois	J. B. Pritzker	(D)	I	State procedural disenrollment rate: 16% • Unwinding began July 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Indiana	Eric Holcomb	(R)	F	State procedural disenrollment rate: 85% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
Iowa	Kim Reynolds	(R)	I	State procedural disenrollment rate: 56% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Kansas	Laura Kelly	(D)	F+	State procedural disenrollment rate: 82% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has not adopted Medicaid Expansion. o *Please note, Governor Kelly has proactively advocated for Medicaid Expansion but is being blocked by the State Legislature.* • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Kentucky	Andy Beshear	(D)	I	State procedural disenrollment rate: 64% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups

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Louisiana	John Bel Edwards	(D)	F	State procedural disenrollment rate: 76% • Unwinding began July 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
Maine	Janet Mills	(D)	I	State procedural disenrollment rate: 20% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Maryland	Wes Moore	(D)	I	State procedural disenrollment rate: 52% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Massachusetts	Maura Healey	(D)	I	State procedural disenrollment rate: 58% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Michigan	Gretchen Whitmer	(D)	F	State procedural disenrollment rate: 83% • Unwinding began July 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
Minnesota	Tim Walz	(D)	I	State procedural disenrollment rate: N/A • Unwinding began July 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Mississippi	Tate Reeves	(R)	F-	State procedural disenrollment rate: 79% • Unwinding began July 2023 • State has not adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments

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Missouri	Mike Parson	(R)	**F**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 79% • Unwinding began July 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
Montana	Greg Gianforte	(R)	**F**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 76% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
Nebraska	Jim Pillen	(R)	**I**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 47% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Nevada	Joe Lombardo	(R)	**I**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 93% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
New Hampshire	Chris Sununu	(R)	**F**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 81% • Unwinding began April 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
New Jersey	Phil Murphy	(D)	**I**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 77% • Unwinding began July 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
New Mexico	Michelle Lujan Grisham	(D)	**I**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 96% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups

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New York	Kathy Hochul	**(D)**	I	State procedural disenrollment rate: 52% • Unwinding began July 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
North Carolina	Roy Cooper	**(D)**	**F**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 87% • Unwinding began July 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion. • States has not paused disenrollments
North Dakota	Doug Burgum	**(R)**	I	State procedural disenrollment rate: 71% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Ohio	Mike DeWine	**(R)**	I	State procedural disenrollment rate: 74% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Oklahoma	Kevin Stitt	**(R)**	**F**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 75% • Unwinding began April 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
Oregon	Tina Kotek	**(D)**	I	State procedural disenrollment rate: 7% • Unwinding began October 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups

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Pennsylvania	Josh Shapiro	**(D)**	**I**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 46% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Rhode Island	Dan McKee	**(D)**	**F**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 83% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
South Carolina	Henry McMaster	**(R)**	**F-**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 73% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has not adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
South Dakota	Kristi Noem	**(R)**	**F**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 56% • Unwinding began April 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
Tennessee	Bill Lee	**(R)**	**F-**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 76% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has not adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
Texas	Greg Abbott	**(R)**	**F-**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 67% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has not adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
Utah	Spencer Cox	**(R)**	**F**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 94% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
Vermont	Phil Scott	**(R)**	**I**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 73% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups

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Virginia	Glenn Youngkin	**(R)**	**I**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 76% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups.
Washington	Jay Inslee	**(D)**	**F**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 88% • Unwinding began June 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • States has not paused disenrollments
West Virginia	Jim Justice	**(R)**	**I**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 69% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has adopted Medicaid Expansion • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Wisconsin	Tony Evers	**(D)**	**F+**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 61% • Unwinding began July 2023 • State has not adopted Medicaid Expansion. ○ *Please note, Governor Kelly has proactively advocated for Medicaid Expansion but is being blocked by the State Legislature.* • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups
Wyoming	Mark Gordon	**(R)**	**F-**	State procedural disenrollment rate: 0% • Unwinding began May 2023 • State has not adopted Medicaid Expansion. • State has been forced to pause disenrollments temporarily for at least some individual groups

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