

HCA overview

Senate Health and Long-Term Care

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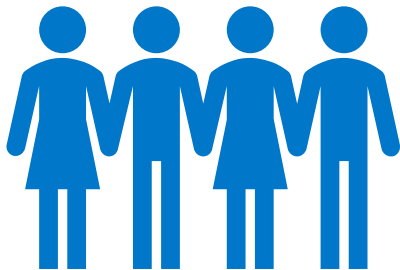
Washington State
Health Care Authority

HCA – agency overview

- ▶ Designated Single State Medicaid Agency
 - ▶ Medicaid Director oversees Medicaid programs across agencies
 - ▶ Administer Apple Health FFS program
 - ▶ Contract for and administer Apple Health Managed Care
- ▶ Designated Single State Authority for Behavioral Health
- ▶ Program administrator for Employee and Retiree Benefits (PEBB/SEBB)

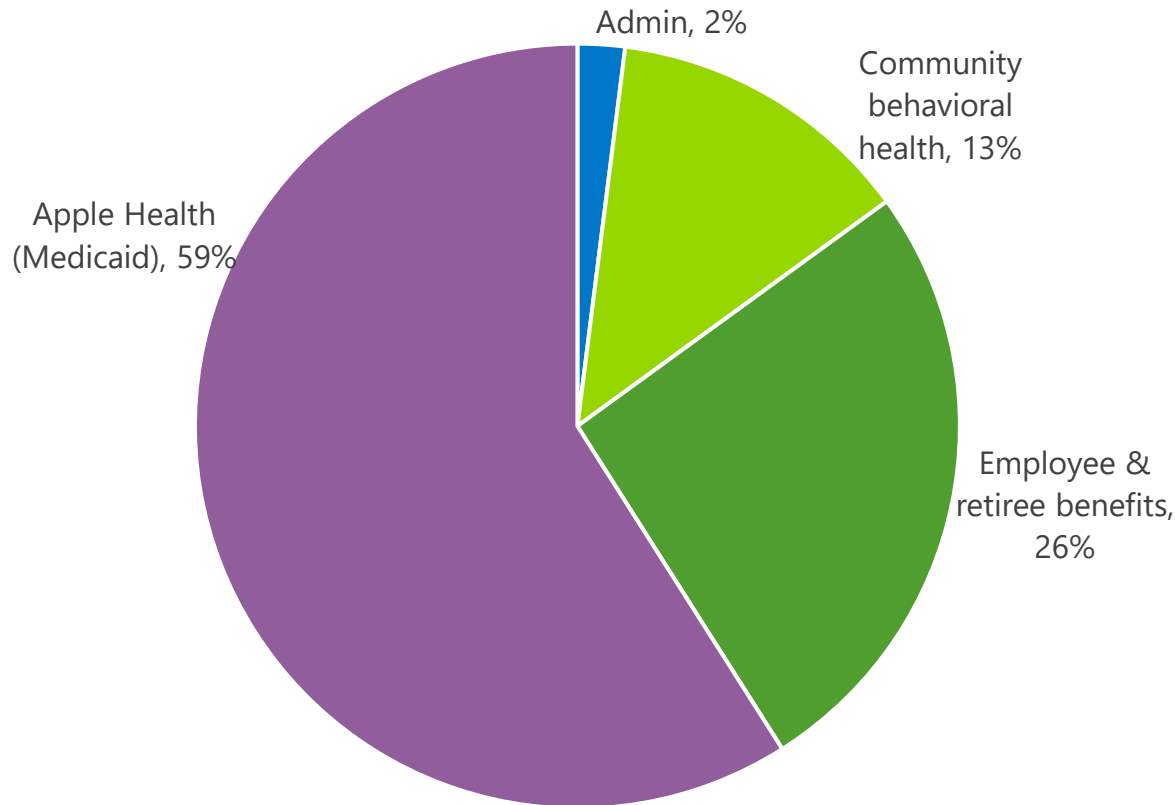
The state's largest health care purchaser

We purchase
health care for
1 in 3 non-Medicare
Washington residents.



- ▶ We purchase health care for nearly 3 million Washington residents through:
 - ▶ Apple Health (Medicaid)
 - ▶ The Public Employees Benefits Board (PEBB) Program
 - ▶ The School Employees Benefits Board (SEBB) Program
 - ▶ Access to statewide community behavioral health care and crisis services

Agency budget (2023-25 biennium)



Administration	\$0.9 billion	2%
Community behavioral health	\$5.2 billion	13%
Employee & retiree benefits	\$10.4 billion	26%
Medicaid	\$23.5 billion	59%
Total budget*	\$39.9 billion	100%

Total employees (full-time equivalents): 1,762

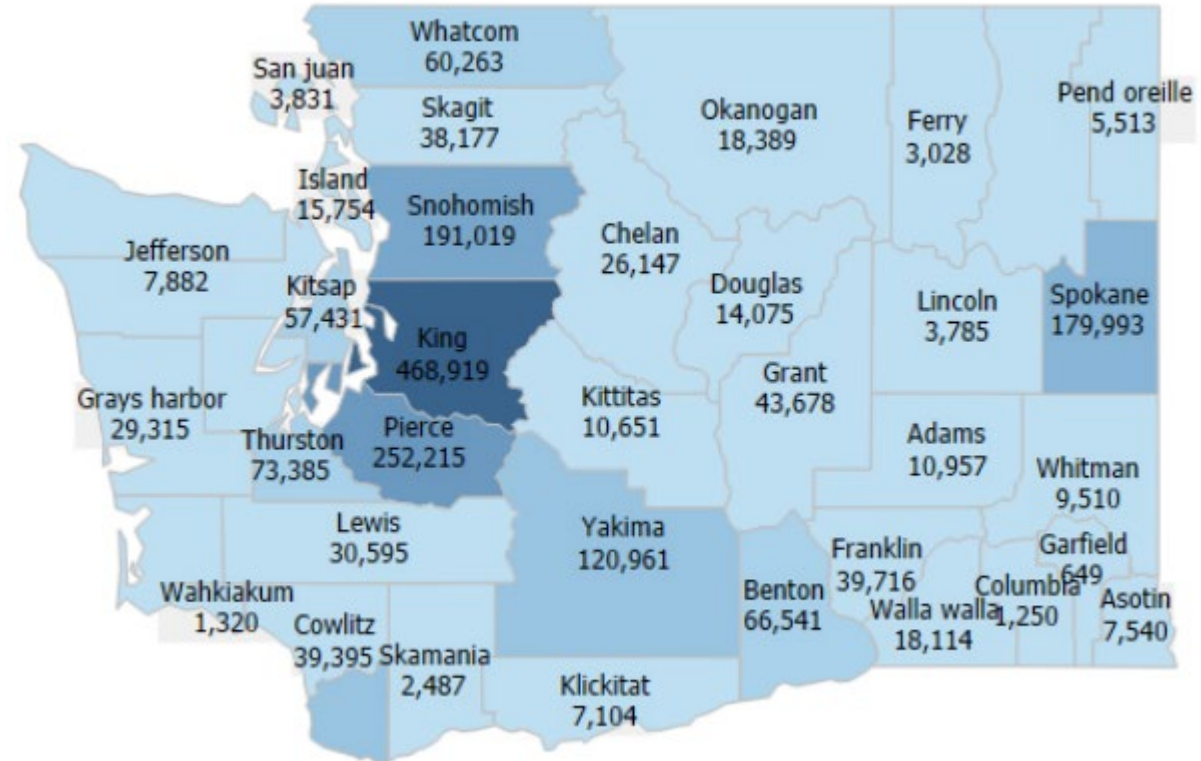
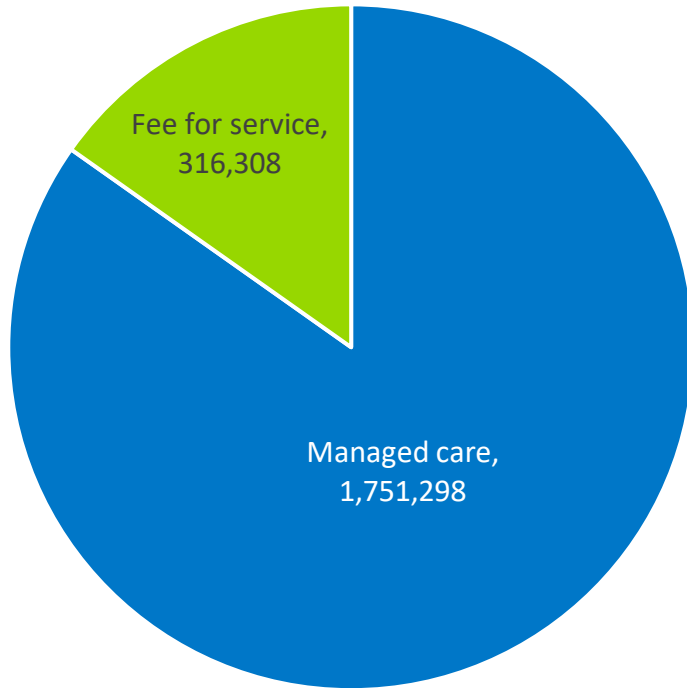
Sources: Agency Financial Reporting System (AFRS)

Allotments

* Based on 2023-25 Biennial budget ESSB 5187

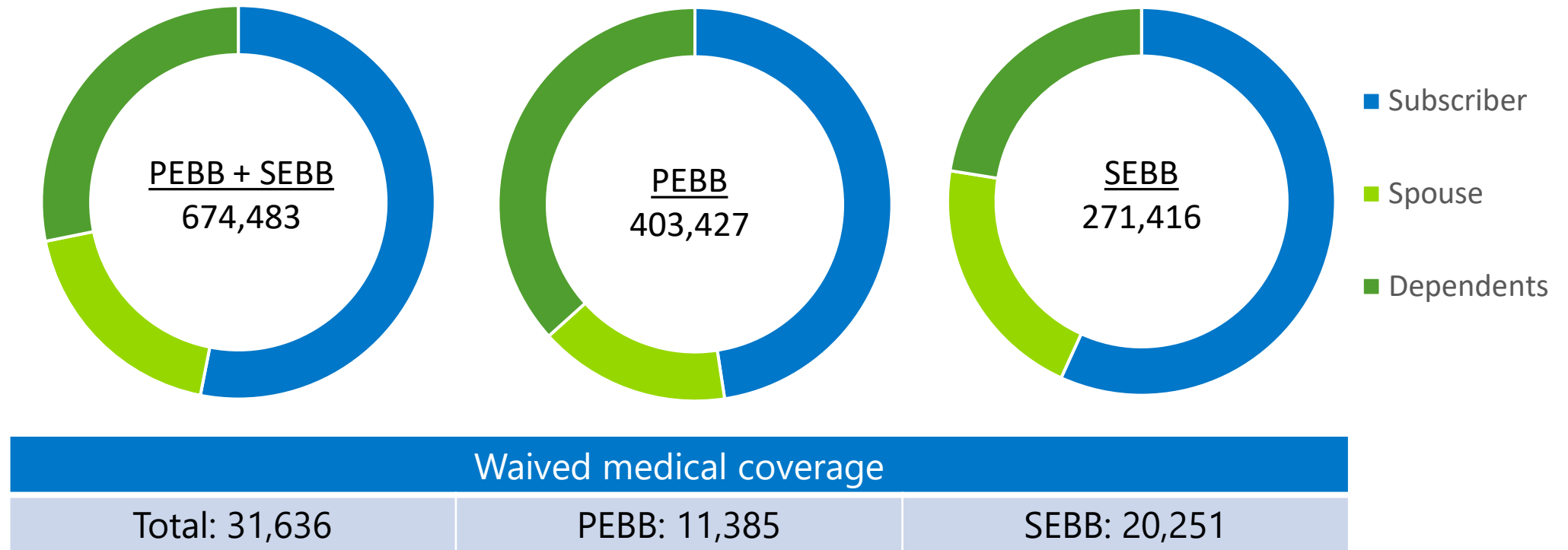
* Excludes Health Benefit Exchange \$0.3 billion budget

Current Apple Health enrollment



Fee-for-service chiefly American Indian/Alaskan Native and dually eligible Medicare and Medicaid population (with behavioral health offered under managed care)

PEBB & SEBB covered lives (Dec. 2023)



There are an additional ~70,000 members enrolled only in dental and/or vision.

Who did we serve in the Behavioral Health Delivery system in FY 2023?

- ▶ **476,907** individuals received Mental Health treatment services.
- ▶ **92,639** individuals received SUD treatment services.
- ▶ **12,537** individuals received prevention services.



● Mental Health Treatment Services
● Substance Use Disorder Treatment Se
● Substance Use Disorder Prevention Se
1 figure = approx. 3,000 people

Areas of focus

PHE unwind

Progress to date

- ▶ HCA, in partnership with DSHS, has redetermined eligibility for hundreds of thousands of our Apple Health clients
- ▶ Have helped hundreds of thousands retain Apple Health coverage or find individual market coverage on the Exchange

Ongoing work

- ▶ Finalizing PHE-related client redeterminations
- ▶ Continuing partnership with Health Benefit Exchange and MCOs on broad communication and outreach efforts to keep people enrolled in coverage
- ▶ For more information: hca.wa.gov/phe






Apple Health expansion

- ▶ HCA was directed in the 2022 budget to expand Apple Health to adults under 138% FPL who were ineligible for Medicaid.
- ▶ Program funding was included in the budget last session
- ▶ Enrollment to begin July 1, 2024
- ▶ HCA has spent last year:
 - ▶ Establishing program policies, including eligibility and benefit design.
 - ▶ Partnering with community organizations to plan outreach efforts and structure programs.
 - ▶ Working with Managed Care Organizations to ensure readiness to administer the new program.
 - ▶ Coordinating with the Health Benefit Exchange on new immigrant program to ensure seamless coordination with outreach and enrollment.

Medicaid Transformation Project (MTP)

- ▶ MTP is Washington's Section 1115 Medicaid demonstration waiver between HCA and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).
- ▶ MTP allows the state to create and test new projects, activities, and services for Apple Health (Medicaid) enrollees.
- ▶ Washington received CMS approval for an MTP renewal, called MTP 2.0, which includes various new initiatives:
 - ▶ Continuous Apple Health enrollment for children (0 to 6).
 - ▶ Apple Health postpartum coverage extension.
 - ▶ Reentry services to support the transition from prisons/jails/juvenile facilities.
 - ▶ Taking Action for Healthier Communities, with community hubs to assist with Health Related Social Needs (HRSN).
 - ▶ Long Term Care Services presumptive eligibility for home and community-based services.

Continued investment in Behavioral Health

-  Substance use prevention and mental health promotion
-  Prenatal through age 25 behavioral health treatment services
-  Mental health and substance use disorder treatment services
-  Problem gambling services
-  Recovery support services

IT and customer experience

- ▶ **HHS Coalition:** Partnering with OFM, OCIO, DCYF, DSHS, DOH, HBE on a shared vision for technology investments
- ▶ **2024 will focus on:**
 - ▶ Integrated Enrollment & Eligibility
 - ▶ Electronic Health Records
 - ▶ Community Information Exchange
- ▶ **Human-centered design:** The goal is to deliver equitable, person-focused care and connect Washingtonians directly to the services they need by modernizing existing technologies.

Cost transparency

- ▶ HCA manages Washington's Prescription Price Transparency program, Health Care Cost Transparency Board (cost board), and new Prescription Affordability Board (PDAB)
- ▶ Significant progress over the past year:
 - ▶ Completed first cost board historical benchmark data call for statewide expenditures and assessment of key cost areas of cost increases.
 - ▶ Continued efforts to understand cost drivers and impacts of hospital reimbursement on consumer prices.
 - ▶ Have begun cost board primary care measurement.
 - ▶ Stood up PDAB and held first Board meetings.

Questions



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