About Washington Apple Health (Medicaid)

In Washington State, we call the Medicaid program “Apple Health.” Apple Health provides health care coverage to nearly 2 million residents—adults and children. Washington’s uninsured rate has dropped to an historic 5.4 percent, thanks in part to access to Apple Health made possible through the Affordable Care Act.

Covered services

Those enrolled in Apple Health have access to many health care services, including:

- Office visits with a doctor or health care professional
- Emergency medical care
- Maternity and newborn care
- Mental health services
- Treatment for chemical or alcohol dependence
- Pediatric services, including well-child visits, immunizations, dental and vision care
- Limited dental and vision care for adults
- Hospitalization
- Prescription medications
- Laboratory services
- Transportation to and from medical appointments, when necessary
- An interpreter for appointments, when necessary

Applying for coverage

Individuals apply for Apple Health coverage through our state’s health benefit exchange, Washington Healthplanfinder. Even if they are not eligible for Apple Health, visitors can then explore low-cost private insurance options on Washington Healthplanfinder.

“If I didn’t have Apple Health, my son and I would have been on food assistance, we would have lost our home, I would have all this debt . . . I can’t begin to explain how much Apple Health has helped me.”

— Shylo Williamson, Spokane
Nearly 1.9 million Washington residents rely on **Apple Health** for medical services—that’s about 1 in 4 Washingtonians!

- Apple Health serves more than 1 million adults, more than half of whom were covered after implementation of the ACA.
- Apple Health also serves nearly 80,000 elderly adults.
- More than 800,000 children in Washington State have Apple Health...
  - including over 33,000 children in foster care and adoption support services.

In 2016, Apple Health funded more than half of all births in Washington outside of military hospitals.

- More than half of Apple Health clients ages 18 to 64 are employed.
- More than 84% of Apple Health clients are enrolled in managed care.