



CMS and Autism Spectrum Disorders

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Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

- Administers the Medicare, Medicaid, and Children's Health Insurance Programs

CMS' Mission

- To ensure effective, up-to-date health care coverage and to promote quality care for beneficiaries

CMS' Vision

- To achieve a transformed and modernized health care system
- CMS will accomplish our mission by continuing to transform and modernize America's health care system

CMS' Strategic Action Plan Objectives

- Skilled, Committed, and Highly-Motivated Workforce
- Accurate and Predictable Payments
- High-Value Health Care
- Confident, Informed Consumers
- Collaborative Partnerships



CMS Field Offices

- Three key components: representation, protection, & monitoring
- Located in New York, Kansas City, Chicago, and Dallas
- Based on the Agency's key business lines:
 - Medicare health plans
 - Medicare financial management
 - Medicare fee for service operations
 - Medicaid & children's health
 - Survey & certification & quality improvement





Central Office/Regional Offices



- Region I (Boston)- CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, VT
- Region II (New York) - NJ, NY, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands
- Region III (Philadelphia)– DE, DC, MD, PA, VA, WV
- Region IV (Atlanta)- AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NJ, SC, TN
- Region V (Chicago) – IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI
- Region VI (Dallas)- AR, LA, NM, OK, TX
- Region VII (Kansas City)– IA, KS, MO, NE
- Region VIII (Denver) – CO, MT, ND, SC, UT, WY
- Region IX – (San Francisco) AZ, CA, HI, NV, American Samoa, N. Mariana Islands, Guam
- Region X (Seattle) – AK, ID, OR, WA

Medicare Overview

- Established in 1965 to provide health insurance mostly to people 65+
- Some beneficiaries are <65 and permanently disabled (about 16%)
- Covers about 45 million people
- Part A – hospital, Part B – outpatient, Part C – Medicare Advantage (supplementary private insurance), Part D – prescription drug benefit

Medicaid Overview

- Also established in 1965
- Provides health and long-term care (LTC) coverage
- Serves about 59M adults and children
- Beneficiaries are eligible individuals and families with low incomes and resources
- Augments Medicare for about 8M people
- Is a Federal-State partnership



Children's Health Insurance Program Overview

- Enacted ten years ago as part of the Balanced Budget Act
- A child whose income is too high and is not eligible for Medicaid may be eligible for CHIP, an optional allotment program with fixed funding
- 29M children in Medicaid, 7 M in CHIP
- Generally States receive slight more Federal dollars to implement CHIP programs
- Income is usually at or above 200% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Some States use Medicaid to implement CHIP, or separate programs, or both





CMS and the Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee (IACC)

- Is a member of the IACC
- Co-chairs the IACC Services Subcommittee
- Is a member of the Strategic Planning Subcommittee
- Provides technical assistance to States and other stakeholders interested in ASD services & supports
- Monitors programs that serve, or seek to serve, people with ASD

