

Medicare Medicaid Coordinated Plan (MMCP) Frequently Asked Questions

Why does Idaho have the MMCP?

Medicaid received a legislative mandate to find a solution for the high cost of Duals' healthcare. The typical dual-eligible individual has more than four times the expenditures than Medicare-only beneficiaries. Idaho Dual eligible individuals make up 15% of Idaho's Medicaid population but require over one third (1/3) of the Medicaid budget. IDHW is joining the majority of states across the US to look for innovative solutions to coordinate benefits, manage costs and improve healthcare options for Dual Eligibles based on their individual needs and preferences.

Who Are Dual Eligibles?

Dual eligible individuals are 21 years of age or older, receive both Medicare (Parts A, B, and D), *and* Enhanced Medicaid coverage. There are approximately 27,000 Duals individuals in the state of Idaho.

What Is Coordinated Care?

Coordinated Care is the coverage and integration of Medicare and/or Medicaid benefits through a single entity, which means:

- One** set of comprehensive benefits. **One** accountable entity to coordinate delivery of services.
- One** care management team to coordinate care.

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Dual-eligible individuals make up 15% of Idaho's Medicaid population but require 39% of the Medicaid budget. IDHW is joining the majority of states across the nation to look for innovative solutions to coordinate benefits and manage costs. The typical dual-eligible individual has more than four times the expenditures than Medicare-only beneficiaries.

The main goal of coordinated care is to help Idaho dual-eligible participants stay healthy and in control of their lives by offering them complete health care and social services.

What Does the Medicare Medicaid Coordinated Plan Cover?

The MMCP covers all medically-necessary and preventive services covered under **Medicare** Part A, Part B, and Part D prescription drug coverage, as well as additional services covered by **Medicaid**, including: Hospital, Medical, Prescription drugs, Behavioral Health, Nursing Home, Aged & Disabled (A&D) Waiver, Personal Care Services, Targeted Service Coordination, Community Based Rehabilitation Service, as well as Care Coordination.

*Developmental Disability Services, Medical Transportation, and Dental are all available through Idaho Medicaid

What Is a Care Coordinator?

A Care Coordinator serves as the participant's central point of contact. Care Coordinators ensure a participant receives the right care and information, while working directly with the participant and or family, and healthcare providers. Care Coordinators are an essential part of the participant's care team: a small group made up of the participant (and/or family or legal representative), caregiver and/or support, other specialists as necessary, and a primary care physician. These are individuals that live within your communities. The Care Coordinators are available to come to your home and available by telephone.

If a Participant Enrolls in the MMCP Do They Have to Stay in It?

No. Participants can enroll or disenroll from the MMCP quarterly. Enrollment or disenrollment is effective the first of the month following the request with the exception of the last quarter of the year and then the participant can enroll or disenroll but the effective date will be January 1st of the upcoming year.

How Do Our Participants Enroll In the MMCP?

You can enroll in the MMCP at any time! Simply call the health plan of your choice, and they can take your application over the phone. It's that easy!

Blue Cross of Idaho

888-495-2583

Molina Healthcare of Idaho

866-403-8293

Is the MMCP Available to All Participants?

You must live in one of the designated counties below to be eligible to participate in the MMCP.

Blue Cross of Idaho and **Molina Healthcare of Idaho** administer the MMCP in the following counties:

Ada, Bannock, Bingham, Bonner, Bonneville, Canyon, Kootenai, Nez Perce, and Twin Falls

Blue Cross of Idaho also has the MMCP available in these additional counties: Boise, Boundary, Cassia, Clark, Elmore, Fremont, Gem, Jefferson, Madison, Minidoka, Owyhee, Payette, and Power.