

Medicaid, Medicare, Social Security, and SSI are Lifelines for District of Columbia Residents with Disabilities

Lifelines for D.C. residents with Disabilities...

Medicaid, Medicare, Social Security, and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) are lifelines for D.C. residents with disabilities, including people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) and their families:

- Medicaid**
 - D.C.'s Medicaid program enrolls over 233,000 people including over 38,000 non-elderly adults and children with disabilities.¹
 - Over 1,400 D.C. residents with I/DD receive Medicaid home and community-based (HCBS) services.²
- Medicare**
 - Medicare enrolls over 83,000 D.C. residents, including over 15,000 people with disabilities.³
- Social Security**
 - Social Security serves over 77,000 D.C. residents, including over 16,000 Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) beneficiaries, along with their spouses and dependent children.⁴
- SSI**
 - SSI serves over 26,000 low-income seniors and people with disabilities in D.C.⁴

...that Boost the D.C. Economy

Medicaid and Medicare bring federal dollars into D.C. and help create jobs:

- Medicaid brought the state of D.C. over \$1.4 billion in federal dollars in 2012.⁵
- Medicare spending in D.C. was over \$850 million in 2009.⁶

Social Security and SSI benefits are typically spent in-state and help boost the D.C. economy:

- Social Security paid over \$960 million in benefits to D.C. residents in 2013, including over \$180 million in Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits.⁴
- SSI paid over \$180 million in federal benefits to D.C. residents in 2013.⁴

¹ The Kaiser Family Foundation State Health Facts. Distribution of Medicaid Enrollees by Enrollment Group, FY 2011.

² Larson, S. et al. (2014). Residential Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities: Status and Trends Through Fiscal Year 2012. Table 5.5c.

³ The Kaiser Family Foundation State Health Facts. Distribution of Medicare Beneficiaries by Eligibility Category, 2012.

⁴ Social Security Administration (2014). Annual Statistical Supplement, 2013. Tables 5.J2, 5.J14, 7.B1, and 5.J1.

⁵ The Kaiser Family Foundation State Health Facts. Federal and State Share of Medicaid Spending, FY 2012.

⁶ The Kaiser Family Foundation State Health Facts. Medicare Spending Estimates by State of Residence (in millions), 2009.