



# Medicaid, Medicare, Social Security, and SSI are Lifelines for Nebraska Residents with Disabilities

## Lifelines for Nebraskans with Disabilities...

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

#### Medicaid

- Nebraska's Medicaid program enrolls over 276,000 people including over 40,000 non-elderly adults and children with disabilities.<sup>1</sup>
- Over 4,500 Nebraskans with I/DD receive Medicaid home and community-based (HCBS) services.<sup>2</sup>

#### Medicare

 Medicare enrolls over 292,000 Nebraskans, including over 44,000 people with disabilities.<sup>3</sup>

### Social Security

 Social Security serves over 317,000 Nebraskans, including over 48,000 Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) beneficiaries, along with their spouses and dependent children.<sup>4</sup>

SSI

 SSI serves over 27,000 low-income seniors and people with disabilities in Nebraska.<sup>4</sup>

## ...that Boost the Nebraska Economy

Medicaid and Medicare bring federal dollars into Nebraska and help create jobs:

- Medicaid brought the state of Nebraska over \$979.7 million in federal dollars in 2012.<sup>5</sup>
- Medicare spending in Nebraska was over \$2.5 billion in 2009.<sup>6</sup>

**Social Security and SSI** benefits are typically spent in-state and help boost the Nebraska economy:

- Social Security paid over \$4.3 billion in benefits to Nebraskans in 2013, including over \$610 million in Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits.<sup>4</sup>
- SSI paid over \$150 million in federal benefits to Nebraskans in 2013.<sup>4</sup>

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Kaiser Family Foundation State Health Facts. Distribution of Medicaid Enrollees by Enrollment Group, FY 2011.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Kaiser Family Foundation State Health Facts. Distribution of Medicare Beneficiaries by Eligibility Category, 2012.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The Kaiser Family Foundation State Health Facts. Medicare Spending Estimates by State of Residence (in millions), 2009.