

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

Lifelines for Arkansans with Disabilities...

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

- Medicaid**
 - Arkansas's Medicaid program enrolls over 717,000 people including over 151,000 non-elderly adults and children with disabilities.¹
 - Over 4,000 Arkansans with I/DD receive Medicaid home and community-based (HCBS) services.²
- Medicare**
 - Medicare enrolls over 561,000 Arkansans, including over 148,000 people with disabilities.³
- Social Security**
 - Social Security serves over 657,000 Arkansans, including over 158,000 Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) beneficiaries, along with their spouses and dependent children.⁴
- SSI**
 - SSI serves over 112,000 low-income seniors and people with disabilities in Arkansas.⁴

...that Boost the Arkansas Economy

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

- Medicaid brought the state of Arkansas over \$2.9 billion in federal dollars in 2012.⁵
- Medicare spending in Arkansas was over \$4.6 billion in 2009.⁶

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

- Social Security paid over \$8.4 billion in benefits to Arkansans in 2013, including over \$2.0 billion in Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits.⁴
- SSI paid over \$660 million in federal benefits to Arkansans 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.