

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

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

- Medicaid**
 - Connecticut's Medicaid program enrolls over 786,000 people including over 82,000 non-elderly adults and children with disabilities.¹
 - Over 8,600 Connecticut residents with I/DD receive Medicaid home and community-based (HCBS) services.²
- Medicare**
 - Medicare enrolls over 599,000 Connecticut residents, including over 88,000 people with disabilities.³
- Social Security**
 - Social Security serves over 640,000 Connecticut residents, including over 94,000 Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) beneficiaries, along with their spouses and dependent children.⁴
- SSI**
 - SSI serves over 61,000 low-income seniors and people with disabilities in Connecticut.⁴

...that Boost the Connecticut Economy

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

- Medicaid brought the state of Connecticut over \$3.3 billion in federal dollars in 2012.⁵
- Medicare spending in Connecticut was over \$6.1 billion in 2009.⁶

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

- Social Security paid over \$9.6 billion in benefits to Connecticut residents in 2013, including over \$1.3 billion in Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits.⁴
- SSI paid over \$370 million in federal benefits to Connecticut 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.