

FY23 Omnibus Topline Health Wins

- Guarantees that every child in Medicaid and CHIP (40 million children nationwide) will have 12 months of continuous, stable coverage when they enroll. This will dramatically reduce disruptions in coverage and care for children, creating critical stability for their ongoing health needs.
- Permanently extends a policy from the American Rescue Plan allowing states to provide 12 months of postpartum coverage to pregnant individuals in Medicaid and CHIP. To date, 27 states have implemented this important policy to support maternal health. This permanent extension will secure those gains and encourage more states nationwide to take up this option.
- Reforms the nation's ability to respond to future pandemics, with new provisions to strengthen medical supply chains and stockpiles, enhance biomedical research, bolster public health agencies and the public health workforce, improve public health data, address social determinants of health, and more.
- Provides a five-year investment with historic funding levels for the Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program.
- Secures 5 years of funding for Puerto Rico's Medicaid program at record funding levels and provides permanent enhanced Medicaid funding for all other territories.
- Extends the telehealth benefits for Medicare beneficiaries first expanded during Covid for two additional years.
- Secures multi-year extensions of programs essential for child health and access to home and community-based services, including CHIP (through FY2029), the Medicaid Money Follows the Person program, and spousal impoverishment protections (through FY2027).
- Improves access to health care for justice-involved youth through Medicaid and CHIP by helping them maintain coverage and get connected to needed services.
- Makes major improvements to Medicare coverage of mental health services, including newly providing Medicare coverage for therapists, payment for mental health mobile crisis units, and coverage of intensive outpatient mental health care.

- Makes a major stride towards improving treatment for opioid addiction by expanding providers' ability to prescribe medication-assisted treatment.
- Authorizes new investments in mental health grants, suicide prevention, substance use disorder, maternal mental health, the mental health workforce and pediatric mental health, and expands mental health parity protections.
- Newly provides Medicare coverage of doctor-prescribed compression garments for seniors with Lymphedema – a chronic condition often occurring with aging or cancer treatment.
- Authorizes the Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health (ARPA-H) to accelerate innovation in health and medicine by investing in novel, broadly applicable, high-risk, high-reward research projects
- Addresses health workforce issues by expanding the Medicare Graduate Medical Education program that helps train doctors in residency (for which half of new funding will go towards training psychiatrists) and supports nursing school programs.
- Provides two-year extensions for Medicare payment programs vital to rural and low-income health care: the Medicare Dependent Hospital program, the Low Volume Adjustment Hospital program and additional payments for ambulances.
- Makes a series of FDA reforms, including protecting the infant formula supply, ensuring diversity in clinical trials, regulating cosmetics and modernizing the accelerated approval process