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Medicaid Eligibility

Overall Grade: A

Eligibility for childless adults	A
Eligibility for parent of a dependent child	A*
Eligibility for pregnant women	A
Medicaid and/or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) eligibility for children	A

Medicaid Section 1115 Waivers

Overall Grade: Fail

New Hampshire sought a section 1115 waiver to implement a work requirement and limit retroactive eligibility in its Medicaid program. This waiver was approved by the federal government and enacted by the state but has since been blocked by court.

Out-of-Pocket Costs

Overall Grade: F

Prescription drug cost sharing protections	F
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Step Therapy

Overall Grade: F

Based on clinical practice	F
Timeline	F
Exception process	F
Categories of exceptions	F
Subsequent guidance from state	F

Medical Nutrition

Overall Grade: C

Coverage requirements for commercial health plans	B
Covered disorders requirements for commercial health plans	C
Coverage requirements for state-run programs	C
Covered disorders requirements for state-run programs	C

Newborn Screening

Overall Grade: B

Screening for RUSP core conditions	C
Adding RUSP core conditions to the state panel	C
Funding for program	A
Use of dried blood spots (DBS)	A
Follow-up	D
Quality of program	A
Advisory committee	C

Rare Disease Advisory Councils

New Hampshire enacted legislation to create a rare disease advisory council (RDAC) in 2019. New Hampshire's RDAC met for the first time in September 2019 and continues to meet monthly.

Individual Insurance Market Protections

Pre-existing conditions protections: New Hampshire has a guaranteed issue law, requires the use of adjusted community rating, and prohibits pre-existing conditions exclusions.

Short-term, limited-duration and association health plans: New Hampshire limits the initial contract duration of short-term, limited-duration health plans to 6 months. New Hampshire requires that an association form for a purpose other than offering insurance and be in existence for a minimum of one year before offering coverage. Coverage sold to small businesses through a fully-insured association must comply with small-group market standards.

Reinsurance: New Hampshire has not yet sought a section 1332 waiver to establish a reinsurance program.

*Although stated eligibility level for parents of dependent children would not warrant an "A," state has expanded Medicaid to enable individuals previously ineligible for Medicaid to become Medicaid eligible up to 138% eligibility FPL and, therefore, earns an "A."