

# Memorandum

TO: Children, Families, Health & Human Services Interim Committee  
Legislative Finance Committee

FROM: Erica Johnston, Executive Director Economic Services, DPHHS

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SUBJECT: Medicaid Expansion Quarterly Report – Quarter Ending 9/30/2021

**Purpose:**

This memo is to complete the requirements set forth in 53-6-1325 MCA to report information on the Montana Health and Economic Livelihood Partnership (HELP) Act to the legislative finance committee and the children, families, health and human services interim committee quarterly. Monthly detailed information on the Medicaid expansion program in Montana can be found at:

<https://dphhs.mt.gov/InteractiveDashboards/medicaidexpansiondashboard>

**53-6-1325 (1): Number of individuals who were determined eligible for Medicaid-funded services pursuant to 53-6-1304**

The chart below shows the number of unduplicated individuals enrolled at any time during each month of the reporting period.

Month	Participants
July, 2021	103,075
August, 2021	103,961
September, 2021	105,049

**53-6-1325 (2): Demographic information on program participants**

The chart below shows the number of unduplicated individuals by demographic category enrolled at any time during each month of the reporting period.

Month	Native American / Alaskan		
	Indian	Female	Male
July, 2021	16,760	54,418	48,657
August, 2021	16,867	54,795	49,166
September, 2021	17,066	55,272	49,777

**53-6-1325 (3): Average length of time that participants remained eligible for medical assistance**

The chart below shows the enrollment duration for participants who were disenrolled during the reporting period. See the response to 53-6-1325 (8) below for additional information regarding disenrollment requirements during the reporting period.

Month	6 or More Months			Total Disenrollments
	0-3 Months	4-6 Months	Months	
July, 2021	67	69	468	604
August, 2021	70	62	442	574
September, 2021	89	63	578	730

**53-6-1325 (4): Number of participants subject to the fees provided for in 15-30-2660 and the total amount of fees collected**

The taxpayer and entity integrity fees are administered by the Department of Revenue. DPHHS does not have access to information regarding individuals subject to the fee. For quarter ending 9/30/2021, the following fees were collected and deposited into the Montana HELP Act state special revenue fund:

Taxpayer integrity fee	\$272,968
Entity integrity fee	<u>139,637</u>
	<b><u>\$412,605</u></b>

**53-6-1325 (5): Amount of money deposited in the Montana HELP Act special revenue account by source of funding**

Hospital utilization fee	\$0
Health service corporation fee	0
Taxpayer integrity fee	272,968
Entity integrity fee	139,637
Participant premium collection	<u>1,226,677</u>
	<b><u>\$1,639,282</u></b>

**53-6-1325 (6): Level of participant engagement in wellness activities or incentives offered under this part**

The chart below shows the unduplicated number of individuals who have accessed preventive services during each month of the reporting period. The data incorporates a six-month lag to allow for claim submissions; these numbers correlate with members enrolled six months prior to the reporting month.

Month	Participants
July, 2021	67,240
August, 2021	67,979
September, 2021	68,704

**53-6-1325 (7): Number of participants who took part in community engagement activities, the number whose program participation was suspended for failure to take part in community engagement activities, and the number who were disenrolled from the program for failure to report a change in circumstances**

Montana's waiver application implementing community engagement activities has not been approved. No participants were disenrolled from the program for failure to report a change in circumstances in the quarter ending 9/30/2021.

**53-6-1325 (8): Number of participants who reduced their dependency on the HELP Act program, either voluntarily or because of increased income levels**

The Families First Coronavirus Relief Act of 2020 requires that states maintain coverage for all Medicaid enrollees until the end of the national public health emergency related to COVID 19 in order to receive a 6.2% increase in FMAP (federal medical assistance percentage). All participants enrolled in Medicaid expansion at the beginning of and during the public health emergency (March, 2020) remain enrolled unless a case closure is requested by the member, the member dies, or the member moves out of state. The chart below shows the number of participants exiting the program during the reporting period.

Month	Total Disenrollments
July, 2021	604
August, 2021	574
September, 2021	730

**53-6-1325 (9): Total cost of providing services under this part, including related administrative cost**  
The chart below includes expenditures for the quarter ending 9/30/2021.

Sum of Amount		Fund Type			
Expenditure Category	Agency Division	01 General	02 State Special	03 Federal	Grand Total
Benefits	11 HEALTH RESOURCES DIVISION	\$ 3,475,717	\$ 7,294,606	\$ 108,738,102	\$ 119,508,425
	22 SENIOR & LONG TERM CARE SVCS	\$ 143,542		\$ 1,651,291	\$ 1,794,833
	33 ADDICTIVE & MENTAL DISORDERS	\$ 1,603,632		\$ 13,682,378	\$ 15,286,010
<b>Benefits Total</b>		<b>\$ 5,222,891</b>	<b>\$ 7,294,606</b>	<b>\$ 124,071,771</b>	<b>\$ 136,589,268</b>
Administration	02 HUMAN AND COMMUNITY SERVICES	\$ 49,803		\$ 136,107	\$ 185,909
	04 DIRECTORS OFFICE	\$ 2,589		\$ 2,746	\$ 5,335
	06 BUSINESS & FINANCIAL SERVICES	\$ 13,545		\$ 13,545	\$ 27,090
	08 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL	\$ 2,425		\$ 2,425	\$ 4,849
	09 TECHNOLOGY SERVICES DIVISION	\$ 2,101		\$ 2,655	\$ 4,755
	11 HEALTH RESOURCES DIVISION	\$ 176,463		\$ 242,678	\$ 419,141
	12 MEDICAID & HEALTH SVCS MNGMT	\$ 418,445		\$ 1,208,540	\$ 1,626,985
	16 OPERATIONS SERVICES DIVISION	\$ 431		\$ 468	\$ 899
<b>Administration Total</b>		<b>\$ 665,801</b>		<b>\$ 1,609,163</b>	<b>\$ 2,274,964</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$ 5,888,692</b>	<b>\$ 7,294,606</b>	<b>\$ 125,680,934</b>	<b>\$ 138,864,232</b>

Administrative expenditures include the following functions:

- Eligibility Management
- Plan Management
- Claims Processing / Data Management
- Premium Billing and Collecting
- Departmental Accountability and Oversight