Medicaid: Past, Present, and Future Directions

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Medicaid’s Origins
Expansion Under ACA
Status of Medicaid Expansion

- 14 states are not expanding Medicaid
- 30 states (count includes Washington, DC) are expanding Medicaid
- 7 states are expanding Medicaid, but using an alternative to traditional expansion
Look at Three States

- **Arizona**: Expanded Medicaid under ACA with a Republican governor and legislature.
  - Voted Republican in 2008 and 2012 presidential elections.
  - Two Republican senators.

- **Indiana**: Expanded Medicaid under ACA through a waiver with a Republican governor and legislature.
  - One Republican and one Democratic senator.

- **Tennessee**: Attempt at expansion failed under Republican governor and legislature.
  - Voted Republican in 2008 and 2012.
  - Two Republican senators.
NJ Medicaid Landscape

1.75 million Medicaid enrollees

95% enrolled in managed care (served by 5 MCOs)

19% of total NJ population

1/3 of all NJ children

31% of enrollees are expansion adults
Current Policy Priorities

Integrating behavioral health services into managed care
- Inpatient BH services for all populations
- All BH services for some populations

Expanding access to substance use disorder treatment
- 1115 waiver newly allows Medicaid to cover residential treatment
- Increasing access to medication-assisted treatment (MAT) for substance use disorder in primary care settings

Implementing a statewide autism benefit

Continued rebalancing of long-term services and supports from institutional to community-based settings
- 50% of LTSS recipients are now served in the community, compared to 29% in 2014

Increasing transparency for program performance through data and quality measure reporting
- New website: http://www.njfamilycare.org/analytics/home.html