

SOUTH CAROLINA

Healthy Connections



Operations & Information Management

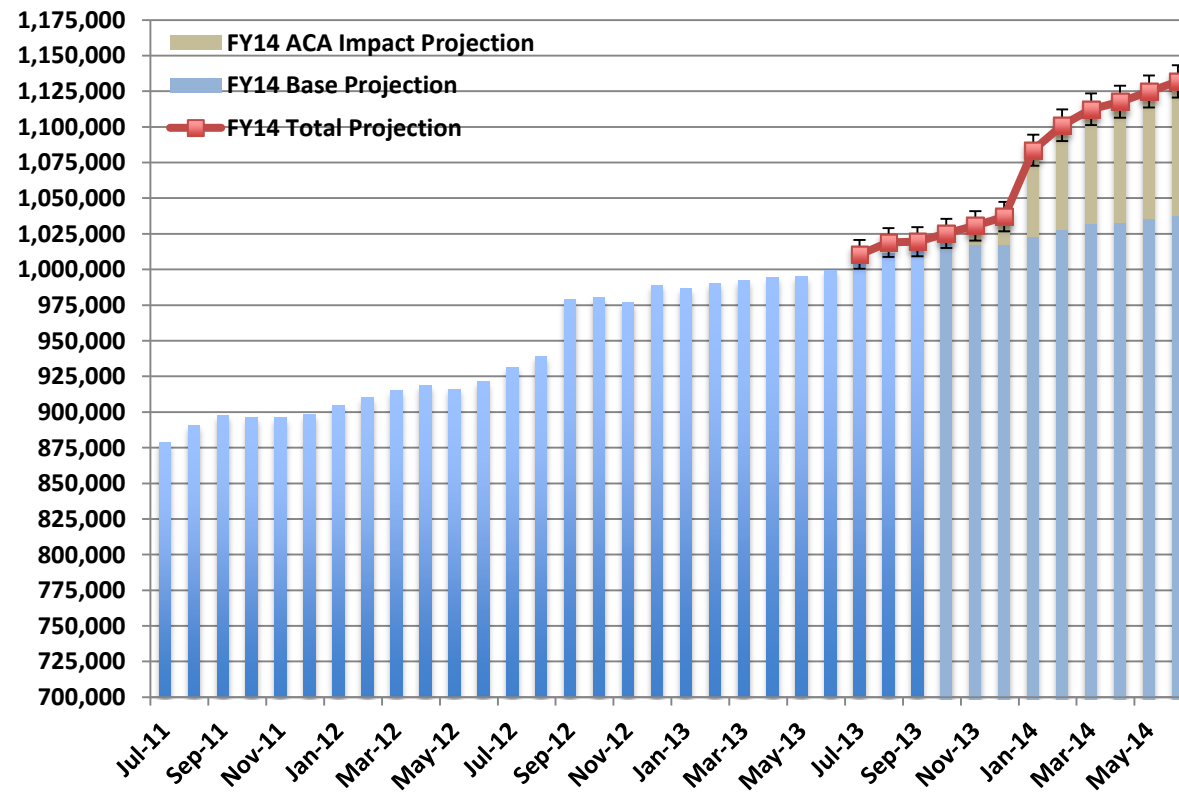
Medical Care Advisory Committee (MCAC)

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Trends in Medicaid Enrollment

Medicaid Enrollment
(July 2011 through June 2014 Projections)



Online Application Launch

- **Successful Launch October 1**

- Over 17,000 unique visitors and over 9,000 accounts created
- Over 4,200 applications submitted online and over 32,000 total applications (online & paper) receipted
- Initial data shows citizens are able to complete the process including remote identity proofing (RIPD) with 1,100 of initial 1,300 successful

- **Planning Updates in November**

- Working toward account transfer functionality
- Other updates to improve the flow, performance and prepare for January 1

- **Work Toward January 1**

- Complete MAGI application process
- New system becomes system of record for MAGI population



Eligibility Process Improvement

- **Application Backlog Update**

- Over 24,000 pending cases processed
- Remaining 4,000 are awaiting information request(s) from applicant

- **Renewal Backlog Effort**

- Through December eliminate the renewal backlog
- Goal to start January 2014 with all work up-to-date

- **Change & Innovation**

- Working collaboratively with DSS and DHHS to determine short and long-term process improvement efforts across the departments
- Part of the WSS effort



MAGI Eligibility

MAGI Eligibility Group	Medicaid Category	Current Income (%FPL)	MAGI Income (%FPL)
Parents and other Caretakers	Low Income Families (LIF)	50%	62%
Pregnant Women	Pregnant Women	185%	194%
Infants & Children Under Age 19	Partners for Health Children (PHC)	200%	208%
Non IV-E Adoption Assistance	Adoption Assistance	50%	62%
Former Foster Children (age 18-26)	New Mandatory Group	N/A	N/A
Family Planning	Family Planning	185%	194%



Transitional Medicaid & Renewals

- **Transitional Medicaid Assistance**

- No guidance yet from CMS on transitional Medicaid after December 2013
- SCDHHS plans to keep program “as-is” at least through June 2014
- Will analyze data of beneficiaries in the program and who may be exchange/subsidy eligible

- **Renewals**

- SCDHHS has elected to extend the renewal period for those coming up for annual renewal in October through December to January through March to support the transition period to the new MAGI policies

Transparency Initiatives

- **Greater transparency and accountability into DSH funds through claims level detail**
- **Accountability that each patient has been informed and educated about various payment options**
 - Ensuring patients get through the right door
 - Ensuring patients understand their obligations
 - Ensuring DSH funds are used as intended for uninsured
- **SCDHHS is working with SCHA to develop policies for transparency and accountability**



Upcoming Policy & System Changes

- **Presumptive Eligibility Option**

- Determinations of presumptive Medicaid eligibility may be made by hospitals
- Requires patient attestation of a limited amount of information
- Household will be temporarily enrolled in Medicaid (60 days) until a full application and determination is complete
- Household eligible for full Medicaid benefits

- **ICD-10 Status**

- Dedicated web site [www.scdhhs.gov/icd10]
- Remains on-schedule, starts early testing in November



Eligibility SPAs/Updates

20 SPAs submitted for October 1, 2013

- MAGI Income Methodology
- Use of Streamlined Application
- Handling of Appeals
- FFM (exchange) type
- Protection for Children Ineligible for Medicaid as a Result of the Elimination of Income Disregards

SPAs to be submitted for January 1, 2014

- Children's Health Insurance Program Income Eligibility Standards
- Presumptive Eligibility

CHIP Income Eligibility Standards

- Conversion to MAGI-equivalent standards
- Minimum qualifying income level for Medicaid increased to 133% for children under age 19

2013 Category	2013 FPL Limit	2014 Category	2014 FPL Limit
Partners for Healthy Children (PHC)	200%	Children	208%
CHIP:			
Children 0-1	185%	Children 0-1	194%
Children 1-5	133%	Children 1-5	143%
Children 6-18	100%	Children 6-18	133%