



CMS MEDICAID RE-ENTRY 1115 WAIVER

The Medicaid Reentry Section 1115 Demonstration opportunity allows states to cover a package of prison pre-release services for up to 90-days prior to the individual's expected release date that could not otherwise be covered by Medicaid. States have discretion to identify specific carceral settings eligible to participate and can choose to extend services for a limited period post-release. CMS' minimum expectations include a set of pre-release services to include:

- Case management to assess physical, behavioral health, and health-related social needs (HRSN) and assist people who are incarcerated in obtaining both pre- and post- release services.
- Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) for all types of substance use disorders, with accompanying counseling; and
- A 30-day supply of all prescription medications at the time of release.

Waiver benefits

- ▶ Improved continuity of care
- ▶ Reduced recidivism, Emergency Department utilization, overdoses, and death
- ▶ Leveraged Federal funding
- ▶ Established healthcare coverage on release
- ▶ Improved access to health-related services and community supports

Relevant experience

Acentra Health provides services that improve health for more than 140 million individuals nationwide.

A sampling of our work relevant to the Re-entry Waiver Support program is highlighted below:

- For **Oregon** Health Authority's fee-for-service (FFS) plan's members, we complete comprehensive condition-specific assessments and social needs-based assessments specific to environment, housing, and food insecurities. Our care coordinators connect members with community resources and follow-up to ensure gaps are closed. Starting in 2025, Oregon will expand our holistic assessments and care coordination efforts to assist Oregon's carceral re-entry population.
- We collaborate with the **Office of MaineCare Services** to assess juveniles transitioning from detention facilities to out-of-home residential placements, matching them with the appropriate behavioral health providers.
- In **New York**, we work with inmates requiring inpatient medical care outside of detention facilities. We assess post discharge medical care needs and coordinate with detention center clinical staff to ensure they have the medical capabilities necessary to transition the inmate back to the detention center.
- We also provide management services including substance abuse disorder (SUD) treatment programs and behavioral health counseling to **commercial clients and State and Federal agencies**.

Acentra Health offerings

- Medicaid eligibility and enrollment support
- Behavioral Health Counseling Hotline
- Substance Use Disorder support
- Medication Care Management
- SDOH/HRSN Needs Assessment
- SDOH/HRSN Community Support Coordination
- Clinical/Behavioral Health Case Management
- Care Coordination/Care Navigation
- Utilization, outcomes, and cost savings reports

Sample case scenario

- Chris is due for release from prison in the next 90-days. Chris has a history of behavioral health concerns and suffers from Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).
- Chris meets with an Acentra Health Medicaid enrollment counselor, who assists in enrolling Chris in Medicaid upon release. In addition, a holistic assessment that evaluates physical, behavioral health, medication, and HRSN needs is completed, which identifies Chris' need for housing assistance, transportation support and counseling to address mild depression. Chris' current medications are reviewed and a 30-day supply is arranged at discharge.
- Based on the HRSN assessment, an Acentra Health care coordinator identifies several community support services for Chris, including temporary housing and transportation assistance post discharge.
- Upon release, the care coordinator specialist contacts Chris to ensure he attends his behavioral health counseling appointment and primary care visit. In a moment of crisis, Chris contacts the Acentra Health 24/7 crisis hotline.
- At the end of 90-days post-discharge, Chris has housing placement, provider access, and community resources available to assist in his ongoing transition.
- Chris' outcomes, along with all other program participants, are tracked and captured by Acentra Health. Reports capturing services utilized, health outcomes, and potential cost savings projections are then provided to the state.