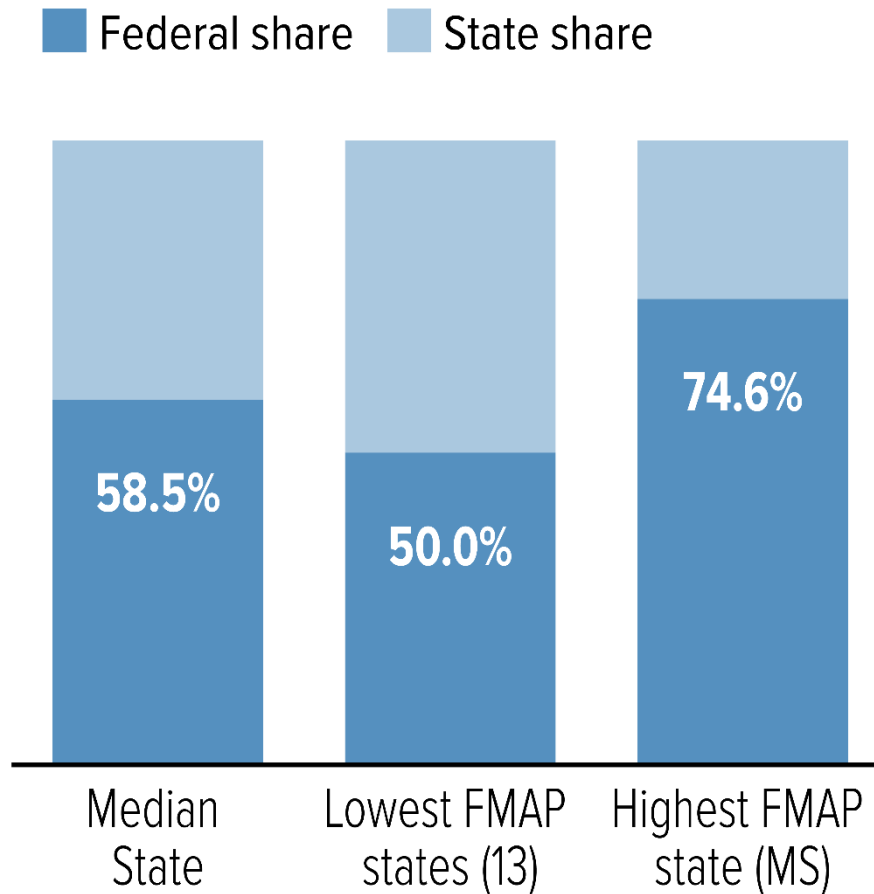


# Federal Government Pays the Majority of Medicaid Costs

- Federal government pays state-specific share of total Medicaid costs (FMAP).
- FMAP higher for poorer states, lower for wealthier states.
- 50% minimum and 83% maximum.
- Some Medicaid costs not matched at standard FMAP.
- Mandatory entitlement funding.



Source: CMS, 2017

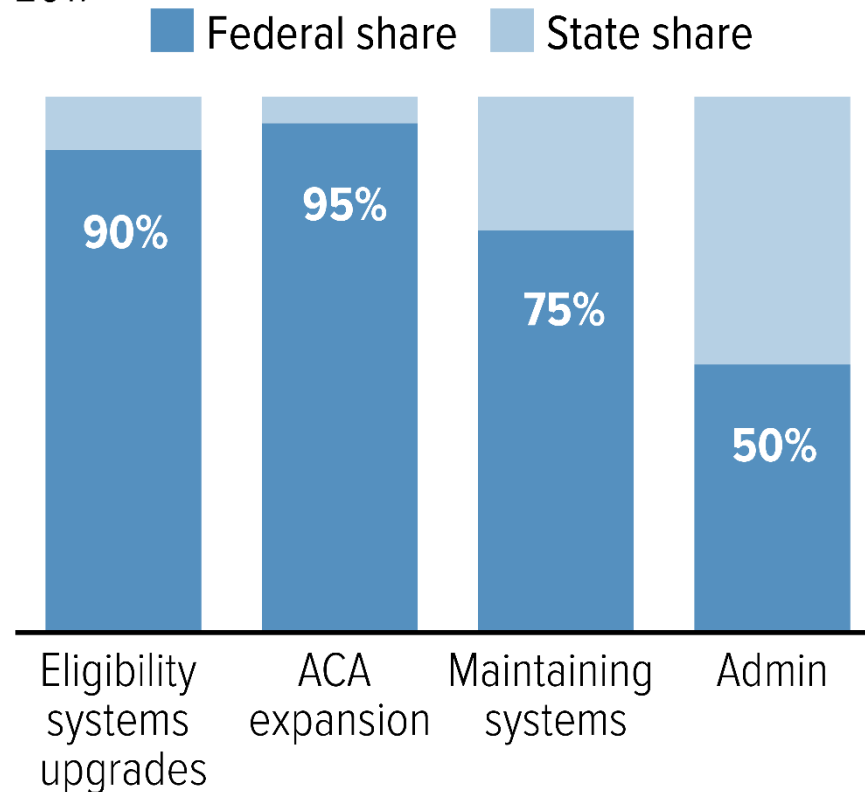
# Calculating a State's FMAP

- **Federal Medicaid Assistance Percentage (FMAP) = 100 percent – state percentage**
- **State percentage = 45 percent \* (state per capita income<sup>2</sup>/national per capita income<sup>2</sup>)**
  - Capped at min. of 50% and max. of 83%
  - Per capita income based on three year rolling average.
- **Results.** A state with per capita income at the national average will have an FMAP of 55 percent; poorer states have a higher FMAP and wealthier states a lower FMAP.
- **Why per capita income?** Considered a measure both of state financing capacity and state need.

# Some Medicaid Expenditures are Not Matched at State-Specific FMAP Rates

- Certain Medicaid expenditures are not matched by the federal government at a state's regular FMAP rate.
- Can be mix of ongoing activities, or new actions that the federal government is encouraging.

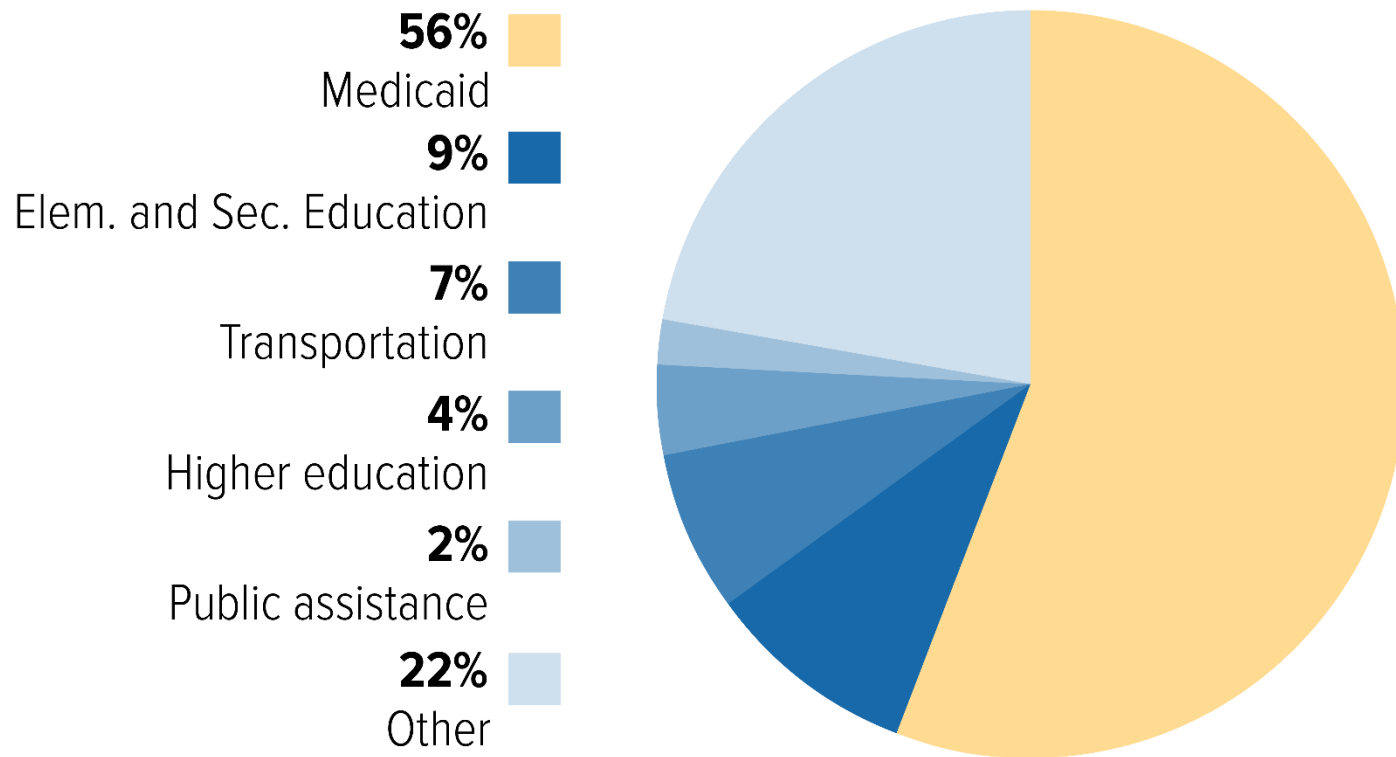
Federal matching rates for select expenditures, 2017



Source: ASPE, 2017

# Medicaid is the Primary Source of Federal Funds to States

Share of total federal funds to state budgets, 2015

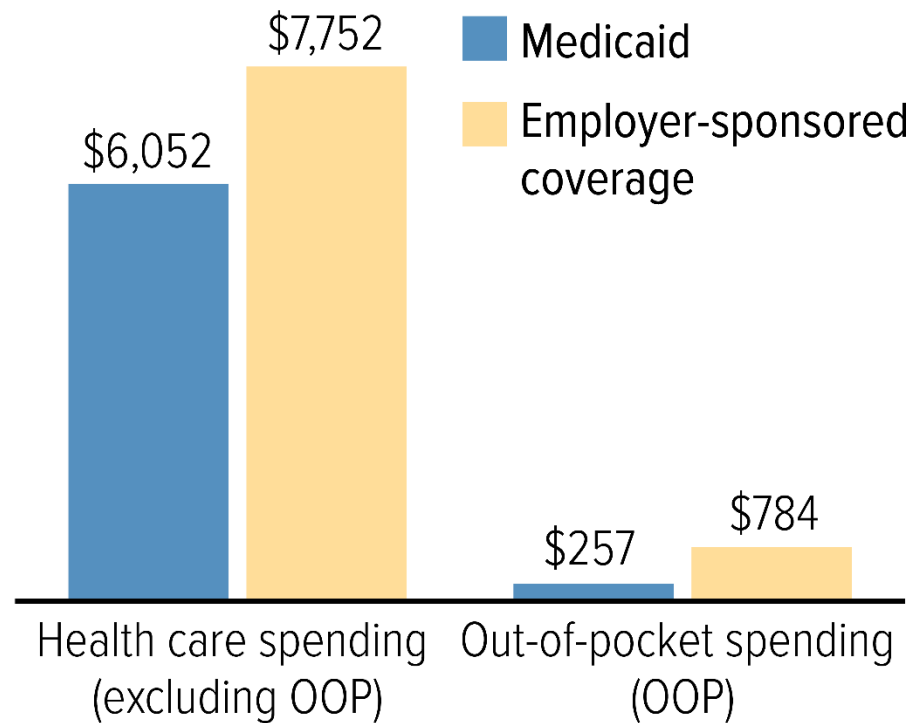


Source: NASBO, 2015.

# Medicaid Is Efficient

- Urban Institute modeled if Medicaid enrollees instead enrolled in ESI.
- Spending \$1,700 higher (28 percent) in ESI.
- Beneficiary out-of-pocket spending more than three times higher in ESI.

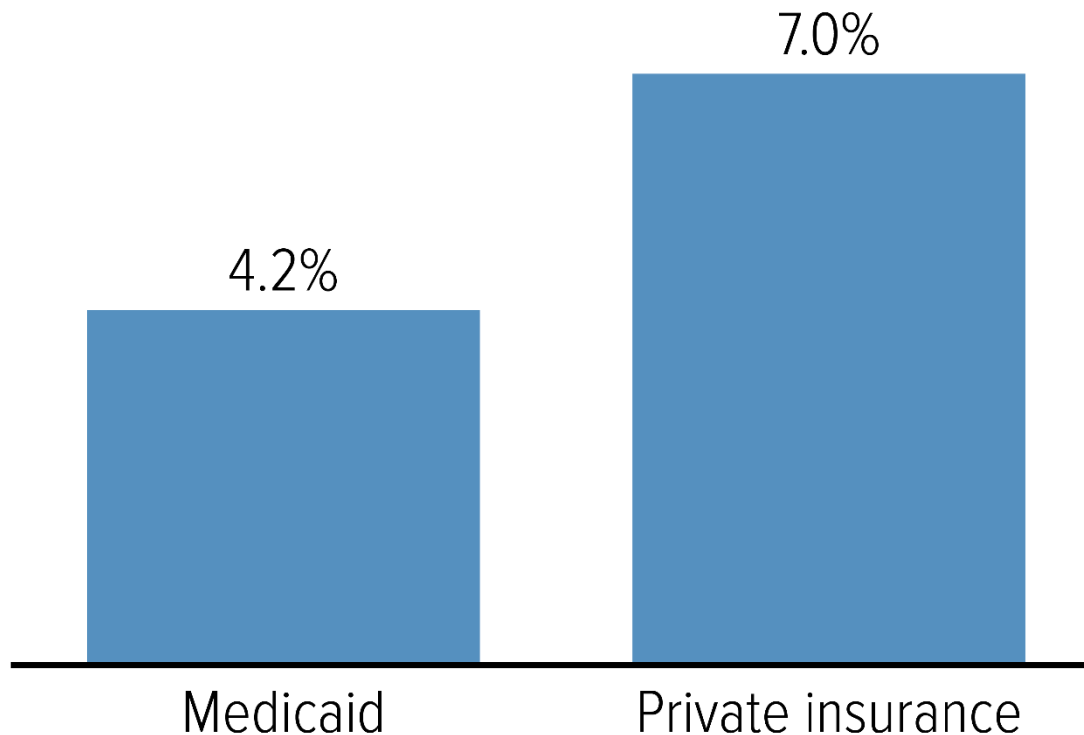
2009 costs per enrollee



Source: Urban Institute, 2013

# Medicaid Per-Beneficiary Costs Grow Slowly

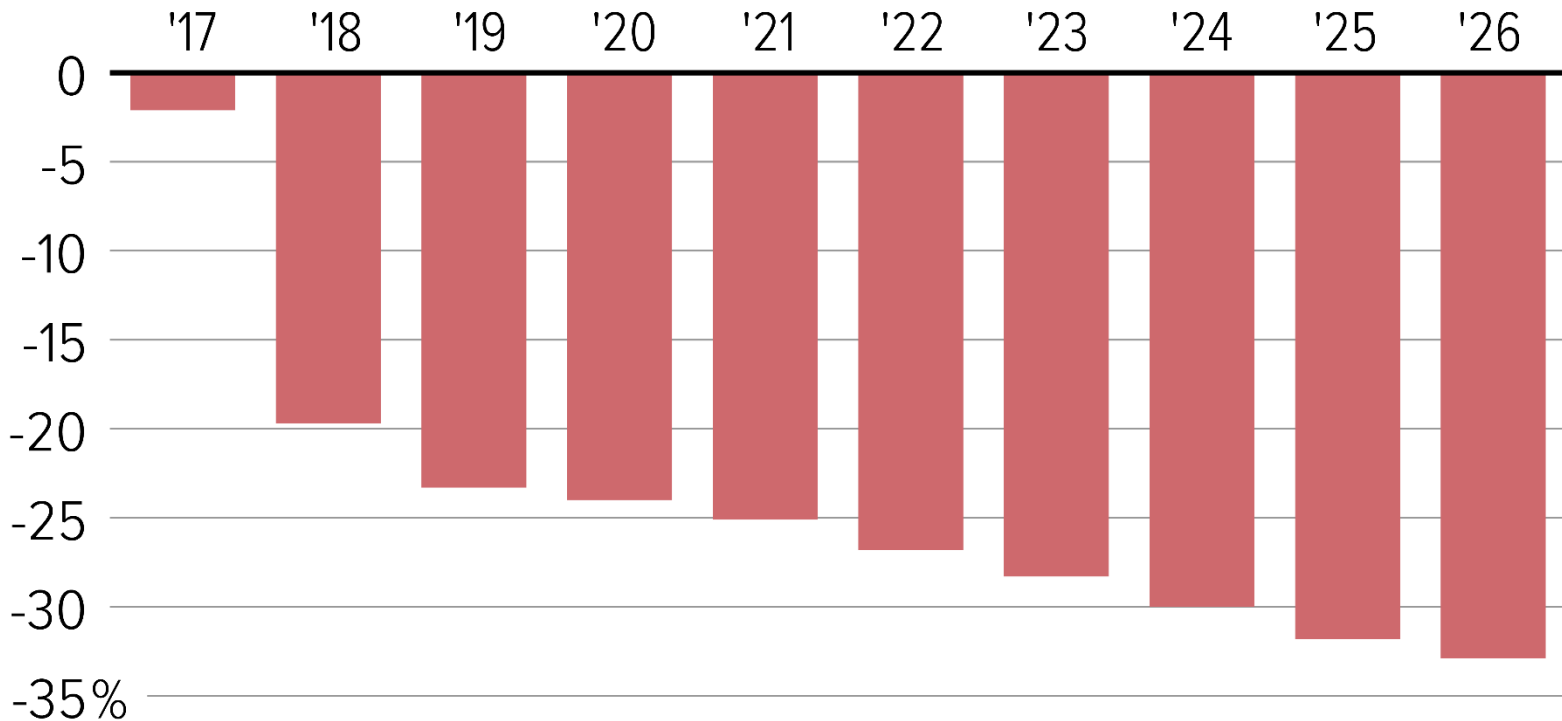
Average annual growth rate per enrollee,  
1987-2014



Source: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, National Health Expenditure Tables, December 2015, Table 21

# Medicaid Cuts Would Grow Over Time Under House Budget Plan Block Grant/Cap

Percent cut in federal Medicaid funds, relative to current law



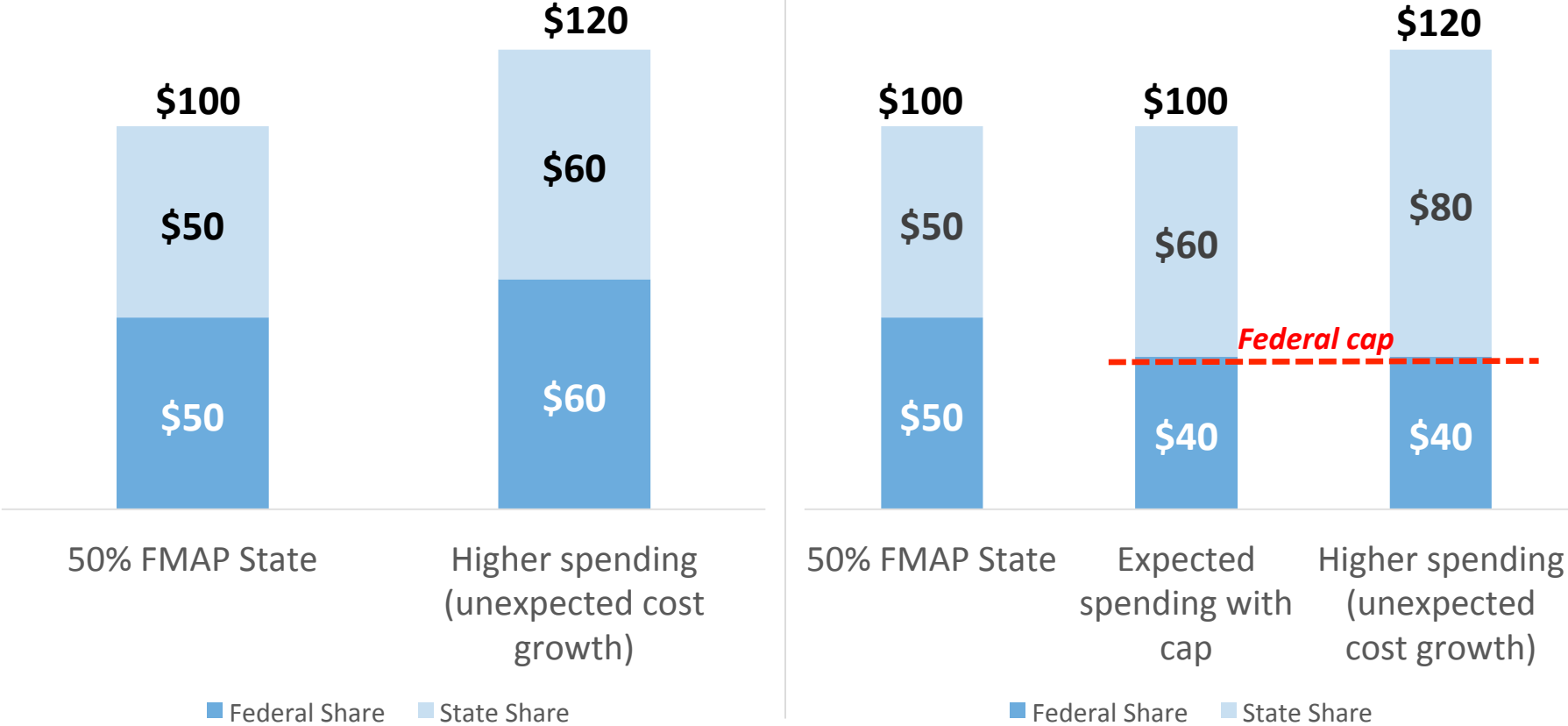
Source: CBPP analysis using Jan. 2016 Congressional Budget Office Medicaid baseline and House Budget Committee documents.

# Medicaid Block Grants and Per Capita Caps: Shift Costs to States

Current Medicaid Financing System



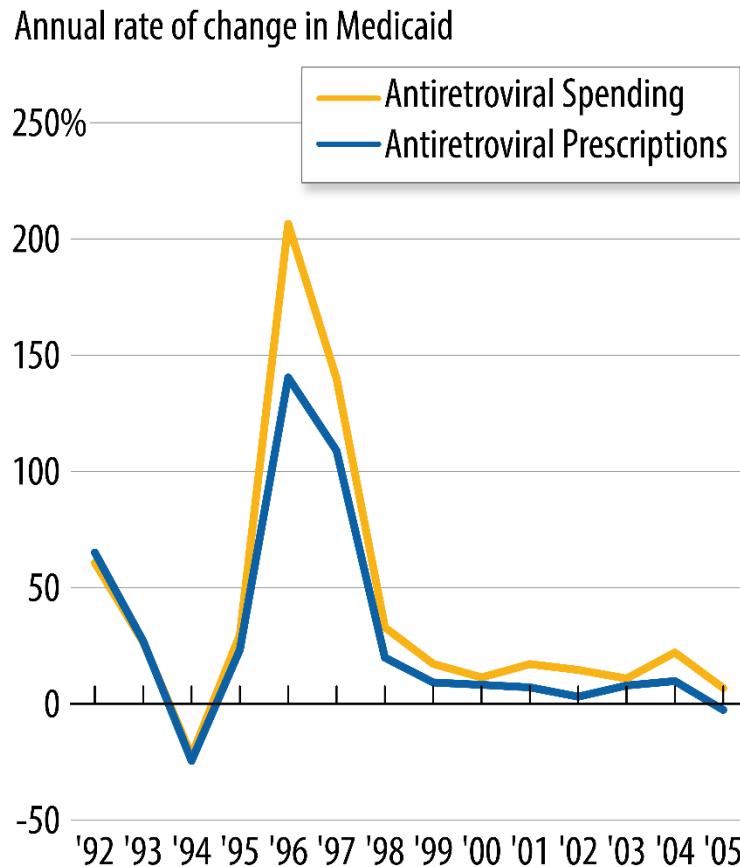
Capped Federal Medicaid Funding





# Medicaid Anti-Retroviral Drug Spending and Use More Than Doubled in 1996

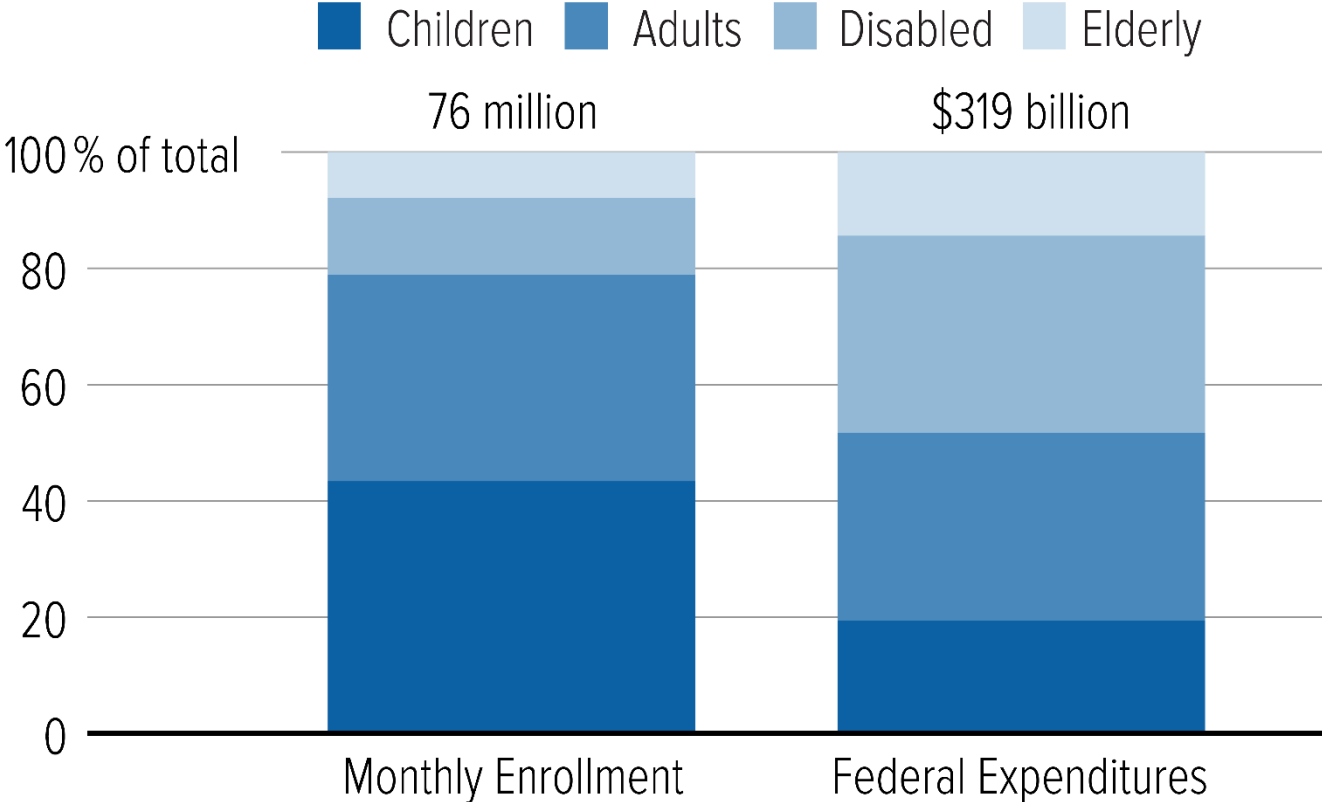
- The onset of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the 1980s and early 1990s led to unexpected Medicaid costs.
- Anti-retroviral prescriptions increased from 170,000 to 3 million from 1991 to 2005.
- Anti-retroviral prescription spending increased from \$31 million to \$1.6 billion.



Source: Yonghua Jing, et.al, Utilization and spending trends for antiretroviral medications in the US Medicaid program from 1991 to 2005, AIDS Research and Therapy, October 2007.

# Distribution of Medicaid Spending Means No Groups Can Be Protected

- About 20 percent of Medicaid enrollment is among seniors and people with disabilities.
- But they account for 50 percent of federal spending.



Source: Congressional Budget Office.

# New Flexibility: Flexibility to Cut

- **Individual entitlement**
- **Eligibility**
- **Benefits**
- **Work requirements**
- **Premiums and cost-sharing**

# CHIP Financing Differs from Medicaid

- **Block grant, not full federal-state partnership.** Federal CHIP funding is limited to annual appropriated levels. If there is no specific appropriation, there is no CHIP funding.
- **States receive annual allocations.** A formula determines distribution of annual federal CHIP funding among states.
- **Annual increases.** Based on population growth and health care inflation.
- **Periodic rebasing.** States' annual allotments are rebased every two years to account for state-specific program financing changes.
- **Federal funding shortfalls are possible.** States' CHIP financing needs may exceed available federal funds with states having to finance entire excess.

# Federal Matching Payments in CHIP (EMAP)

- **Enhanced matching assistance percentage (EMAP).** CHIP spending is matched with federal dollars at an enhanced rate, up to the state's allotted federal dollars.
- **EMAP = State's FMAP + 0.3 \* (100 percent – state's FMAP)**
  - Reduces state's share of total CHIP costs by 30 percent as compared to state's share in Medicaid.
- **ACA EMAP increase.** Beginning in FFY2016, states' EMAPs are increased by 23 percentage points. This increase is in place through end of FFY2019.

# CHIP Allotment Distribution and Rebasing

- **Annual national budget authority.** Determined by legislation. \$20.4 billion in FFY2017.
- **Annual allotments to states.** Based on a combination of state-level historical spending and child population growth, and national-level health care spending growth.
  - **In even-numbered years:** a state's allotment is determined as the previous year's *allotment* increased by child population growth in the state and national health care cost inflation.
  - **In odd-numbered years:** a state's allotment is rebased on its previous year *spending* increased by population and cost.

# CHIP Not a Typical Block Grant

- **Adequate initial funding levels.** The program's original ten-year authorization more than met states' projected need.
- **Redistribution.** Unused funds from low-spending states are redistributed to states in need of additional funds.
- **Shortfall funding.** Congress stepped in multiple times to provide additional targeted funds allowing states to operate their CHIP programs as if they weren't capped.
- **Funding extension permits growth.** CHIP's later funding extensions included increases to accommodate health care cost inflation, population growth, and program growth.
- **Contingency fund.** Dedicated fund to prevent enrollment-related shortfalls.

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