

State Profile for the Capitated Financial Alignment Demonstration

South Carolina: Healthy Connections Prime	
Dates	
Memorandum of understanding signed	October 25, 2013
Opt-in enrollment starts	February 1, 2015
Passive enrollment starts	April 1, 2016
Enrollment	
Covered population	 age 65 and older; not enrolled in certain home- and community-based services waivers and not residing in certain institutions; and living in South Carolina
Number eligible as of March 2016	50,000
Number enrolled as of December 2017	11,726
Percent of eligible that opted out as of December 1, 2017	Not available
Payment	
Number of participating plans	Three
Savings percentage range	1-4 percent
Number of rating categories	Four
Other risk mitigation strategies	Medical loss ratio
Benefits	
Expanded benefits	Palliative care
Carved out benefits	hospice
	non-emergency transportation
Required community involvement	Not specified
Care Coordination	
Number of days to complete health risk assessment	 within 90 days of enrollment for low-risk enrollees within 60 days of enrollment for moderate- or high-risk enrollees.
Number of days to establish individualized care plan	Within 90 days of enrollment
Education requirements for care coordinator	Must have the qualifications and training appropriate to the needs of the enrollee, but the plans have the discretion to develop these qualifications.
Care coordinator caseload requirements	Not specified
Number of days to maintain continuity of care from previous coverage	Maintain each enrollee's current course of treatment for at least 180 days after enrollment
Consumer Protections	
Integrated Medicaid and Medicare appeals process	No
Ombudsman	Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging

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