



OVERVIEW: Nevada Medicaid’s Justice-Involved Reentry Initiatives represent the state’s efforts to comply with new requirements from the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 (CAA) and state Assembly Bill (AB) 389 (2023), which together require Medicaid to cover services for certain justice-involved populations. Part of these efforts includes the submission of a new state application for federal approval of a Section 1115 waiver of Title XIX of the Social Security Act to allow the state to receive federal funds to pay for services provided to these populations prior to their release.

BACKGROUND: People leaving incarceration and reentering the community often have a hard time accessing needed services for health concerns, including mental health and substance use disorder treatment. As early as 2025, certain justice-involved populations in Nevada will become eligible for new Medicaid coverage immediately prior to their release to help them succeed and thrive during their reentry into the community. The goal of these efforts is to help these individuals connect with community providers to better support their health care needs during the reentry process.

THE CALL TO ACTION: Join Nevada Medicaid, corrections and justice facilities, health care providers, and community partners across the state on this important journey to provide health care services to this vulnerable and at-risk population. One goal is to help ensure access to Medicaid and Children Health Insurance Program (CHIP) services prior to release from a public institution. To join this work, ask questions, or learn more, email 1115waivers@dncfp.nv.gov.

LET’S GET STARTED: Nevada Medicaid is leading the effort in collaboration with the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services and its Divisions, correctional partners, state justice system, community partners and other stakeholders to get these initiatives up and running in 2025. Please join us and provide your feedback. To learn more, please visit the Justice Involved Reentry Program website: https://dncfp.nv.gov/Pgms/Waivers/Reentry_Initiative/.

Questions? Input? Want to join stakeholder meetings? Contact us at: 1115waivers@dncfp.nv.gov

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New Medicaid Programs for Successful Reentry from Incarceration

These services are aimed to help youth and adults smoothly transition back to their community after incarceration, reduce recidivism, and increase access to health care.



Coverage of New Services

- Case management
- Physical & behavioral health screening, diagnostic, and treatment services
- Prescription medications

Services will be available both before and after release from carceral facilities.

Eligibility

Nevada Medicaid-eligible incarcerated adults and youth up to age 21 (or up to age 26 if involved in Foster Care)



Timeline

New services for **youth** will be eligible for Medicaid reimbursement beginning **January 1, 2025**.

Adult services are expected to be available for reimbursement by **Winter 2025**.

Learn more and provide input on the rollout by contacting 1115waivers@dncfp.nv.gov