

# Rural Medicaid Members & Providers Changes are Coming

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A change is coming that could improve health care for rural members. In January 2026, some members and providers will join a network of insurance companies called Managed Care Organizations (MCOs). MCOs only operate currently in urban Washoe and Clark Counties. The 82nd Nevada Legislature authorized the expansion to rural Nevada counties.

## The benefits of Managed Care coming to rural communities:

- Incentives for growing the rural medical workforce.
- Improved service to children with behavioral health conditions.
- Bonus payments for primary, pediatric, and obstetric care.
- Focus on patient education and preventative care.
- Ensure the right service is provided at the right time.
- Help members navigate the health care system and find specialty providers.
- Focus on improved member outcomes & provider networks.



## Members, are you affected?

About 75,000 Medicaid members in rural Nevada will be enrolled in an MCO. About 126,000 members will **not** be impacted, including, but not limited to:

- Children in foster care & juvenile justice system;
- People with disabilities;
- Seniors (65 and older on Medicare);
- People in home & community-based waiver programs;
- Katie Beckett Program for Children.

## When will the change happen?

- In 2025, more information will be provided for members.
- In January 2026, MCOs will be available statewide.
- Keep in touch using the NV Medicaid App. [Download it here.](#)
- Update your address: [dhcfp.nv.gov/Members/Home/](https://dhcfp.nv.gov/Members/Home/)
- Contact Medicaid:  
**[DHCFP@dhcfp.nv.gov](mailto:DHCFP@dhcfp.nv.gov)**

## For doctors and medical providers

Consider joining an MCO network. MCOs will be contacting providers and hospitals to assist with contracting and credentialing. Please join public workshops, community meetings and share important information with members from the website below.

## Providers & members, get involved

1. **Learn more about Managed Care.**
2. Join a public workshop or meeting.
3. **Sign up for project notifications.**
4. Ask questions about expansion:  
**[StatewideMCO@DHCFP.nv.gov](mailto:StatewideMCO@DHCFP.nv.gov)**
5. Use the information on the website below to talk to patients, friends, and family.

## **Statewide Managed Care web page**

