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How Can Pharma Balance Gene Therapy's Promise and Price?

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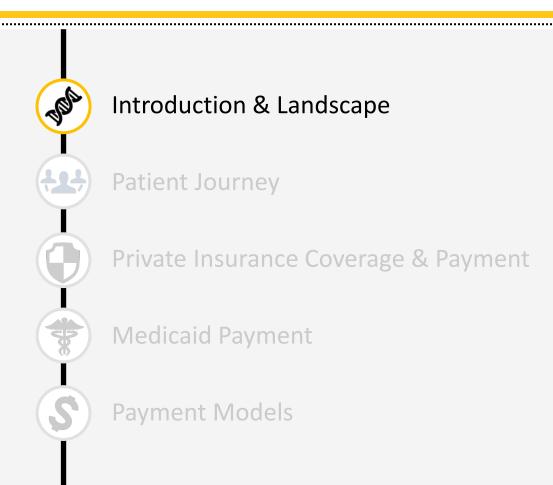
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Which of the following best describes the organization you represent?

- A. Regulator/Policy Official/Staff
- B. Life Sciences (Pharmaceutical, Biopharmaceutical, Device, etc.)
- C. Payer/Health Insurer
- D. Provider/Medical Center/Delivery System
- E. Other (i.e., Healthcare services company, consultant, etc.)



Which one of the following areas are you *most closely* tracking with respect to gene therapy products?

- A. Basic science
- B. Clinical trials and outcomes
- C. Patient impact
- D. Legal and regulatory issues?
- E. Reimbursement

Gene therapy and personalized medicine are distinct areas of medicine, with today focused on gene therapy.

Gene Therapy

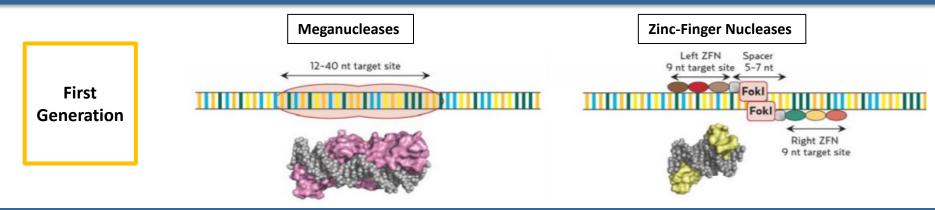
- Therapeutic delivery of polymers into a patient's cells for the purposes of treating a disease
- Polymers interfere with gene expression or correct mutations

Personalized Medicine

- Stratified treatment of patients across varying genetic makeups
- Patients undergo genotyping, with results compared to a reference genome
- Individual genetic makeup then guides treatment decisions

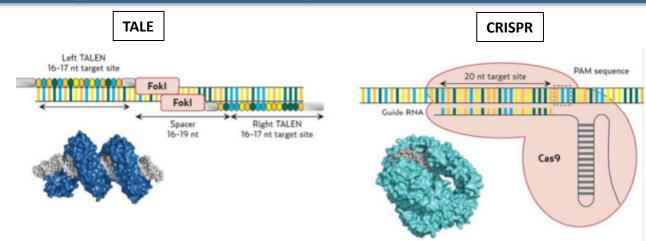
Gene-editing Technologies¹

- Meganucleases and Zinc-Finger Nucleases were the first tools developed for nuclease-based genome editing
- These processes were both labor intensive and costly

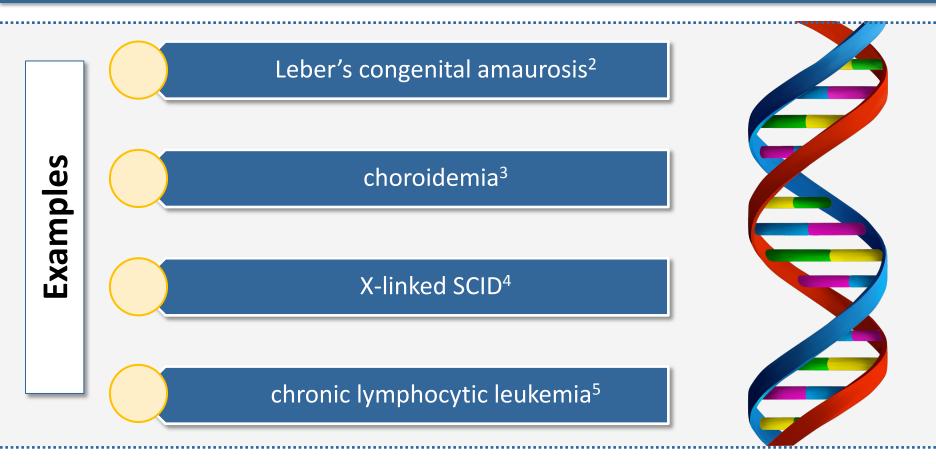


- Transcription Activator-Like Effector (TALE) nucleases and Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic
 Repeats (CRISPR) nucleases are the latest innovations in the field of genome editing
- TALE and CRISPR are considerably easier to use and less costly

Second Generation



First generation gene therapy pipeline products tend to address rare genetic disorders and diseases.



Gene therapy administration requires coordinated treatment across multiple sectors of the healthcare ecosystem^{6,7}

Gene Therapy Laboratory

- Genetic material is packaged into a vector, which carries it into the nucleus of target cells
- Vectors can be administered into the affected tissue directly, into a surrogate tissue, or into the blood stream or intraperitoneal cavity
- The method of administration has implications for delivery systems

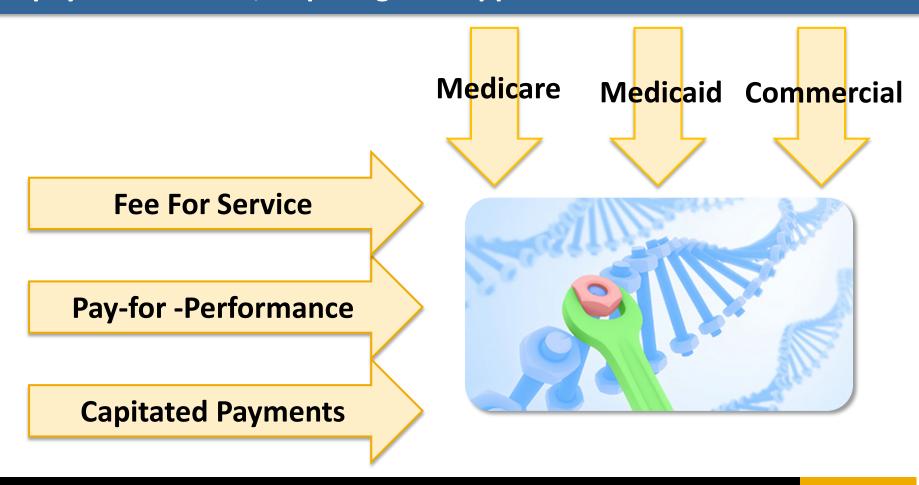
Inpatient Administration

- Certain gene therapies involve injection into a body cavity (i.e. the lung)
- These therapies typically require inpatient administration

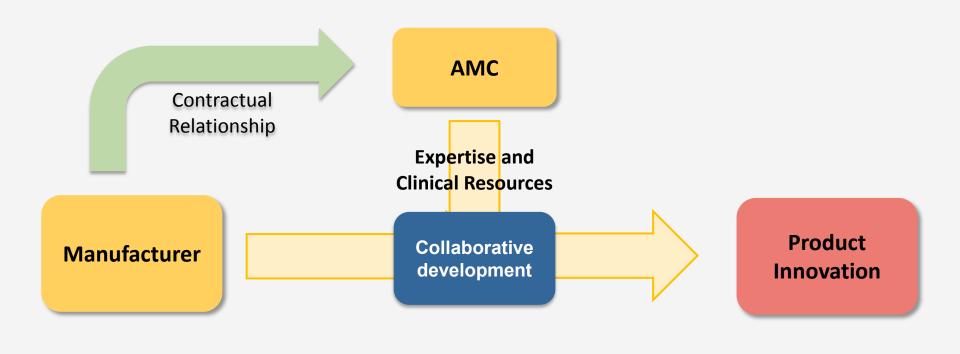
Outpatient Administration

- Some gene therapies can be administered intravenously in an outpatient setting
- Example: Hemophilia
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Community/ Family Follow-Up Care Gene therapies implicate multiple settings of care, payers, and payment models, requiring new approaches to reimbursement.



Innovative academic medical center partnerships are emerging, reflecting the hybrid nature of gene therapy science and delivery.8



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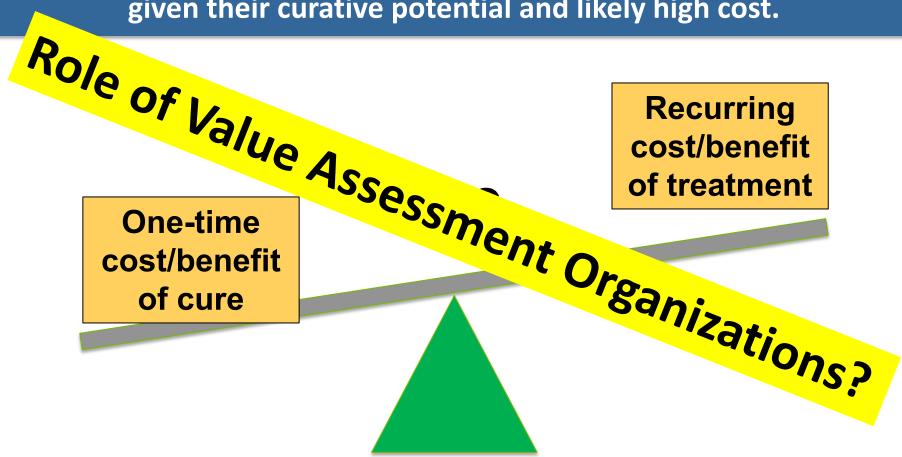
One-time cost/benefit of cure

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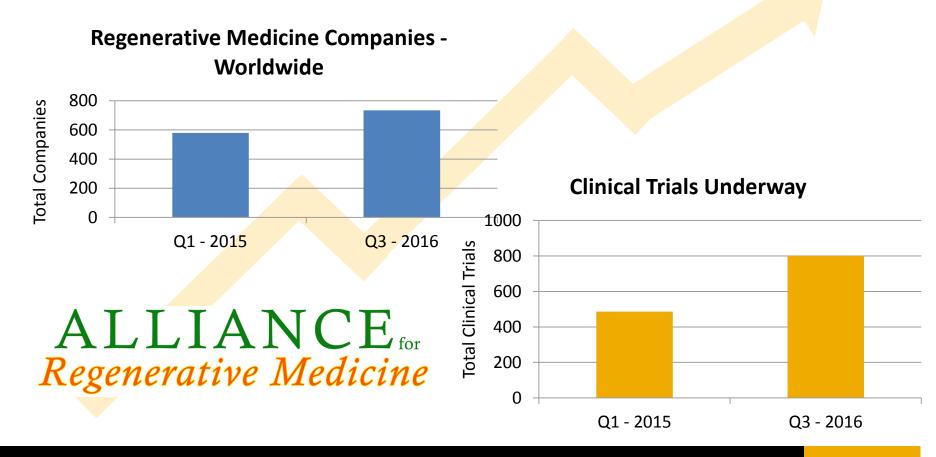
Recurring cost/benefit of treatment



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The number of regenerative therapy market participants is increasing, with recent rapid growth in clinical trials 9, 10



Current Clinical Trials by Therapeutic Category: Q3 2016

- More than 43% of current clinical trials are in oncology
- More than one in 10 are in cardiovascular



Ongoing Patent Challenges¹²



The National Academies of SCIENCES • ENGINEERING • MEDICINE

Ethical Issues¹³

21st Century Cures Act14

114TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H. R. 6

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

July 13, 2015

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education,

Labor, and Pensions

AN ACT

To accelerate the discovery, development, and delivery of 21st century cures, and for other purposes. The EU has approved 2 gene therapies, one of which has fallen well short of expectations, while the 2nd embraces outcome-based pricing



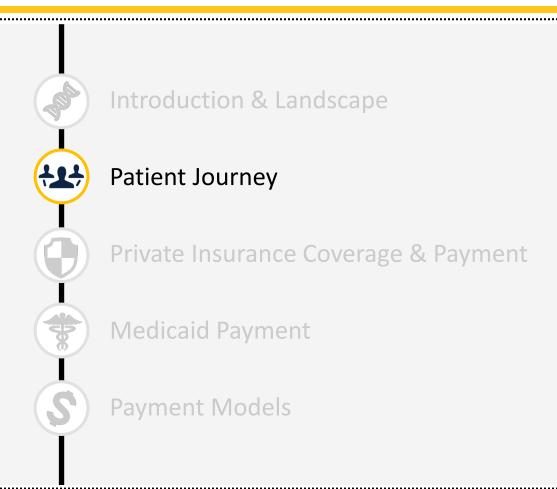
Glybera¹⁵

- First approved gene therapy in EU(2012)
- Priced at \$1 million
- Required arduous prior-authorization process; only paid for and used commercially once
- Manufacturer forced to drop plans for approval in the US and sold rights

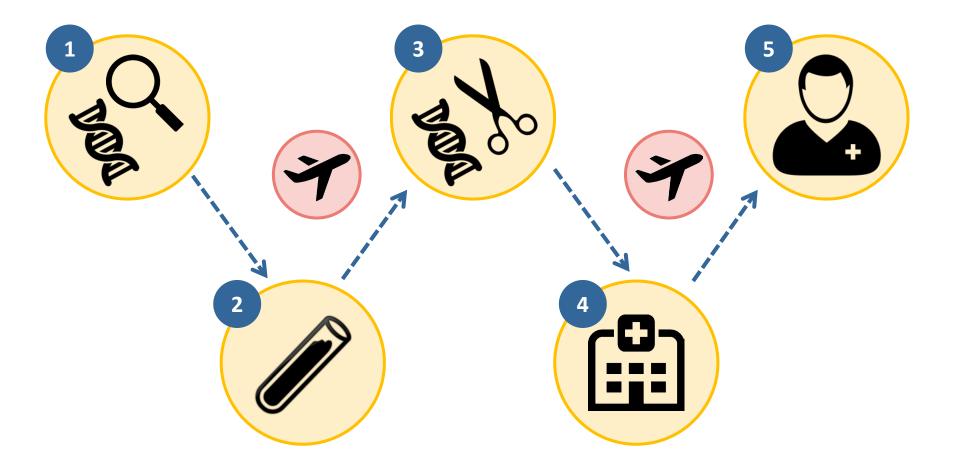


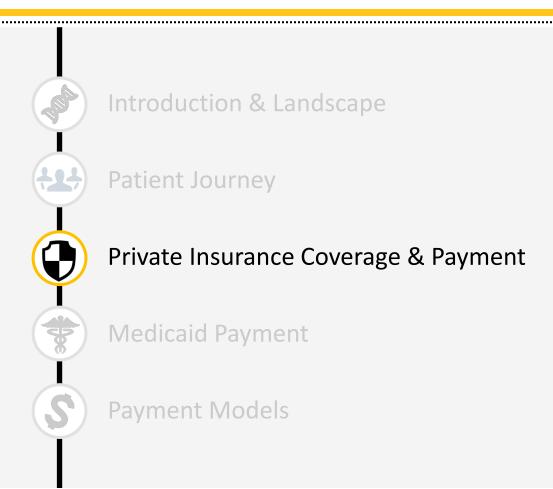
Strimvelis¹⁶

- Second approved gene therapy in EU
- Priced at \$665,000
- Expected to treat approximately 8 patients per year
- Manufacturer adopts innovative pricing models, including staggered pricing and outcome-based, full or partial money-back guarantees



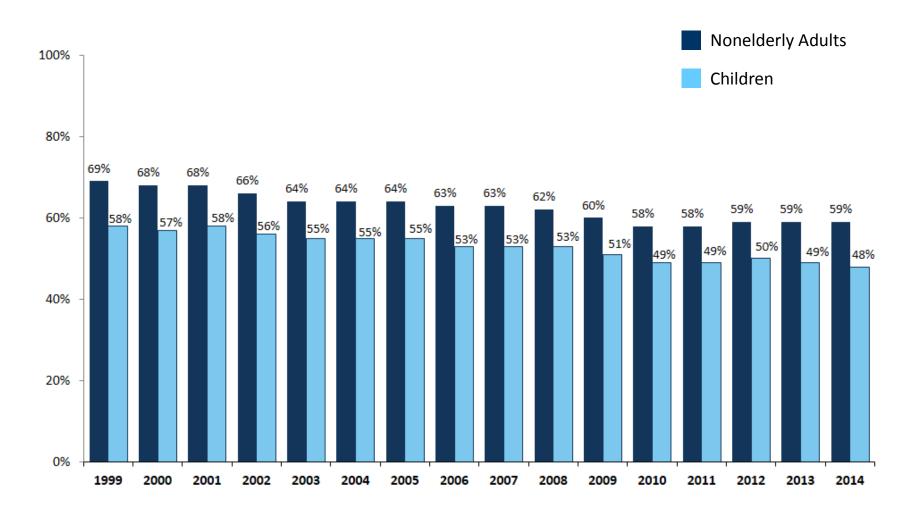
The patient journey presents several challenges to access because it spans multiple treatment settings, types of providers and varying payment methodologies.





In 2014, what percentage of children were covered under private insurance?

- A. 34%
- B. 48%
- C. 62%
- D. Not sure



1. Kaiser Family Foundation analysis of the National Health Interview Survey, 1999-2014.

Both will be subject to medical necessity and coverage criteria determinations.



"...considers allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplantation medically necessary for individuals with intermediate-risk or high-risk myelodysplastic syndrome (MDS), and who have not responded to prior therapy and have an available human leukocyte antigen (HLA)-compatable donor."1

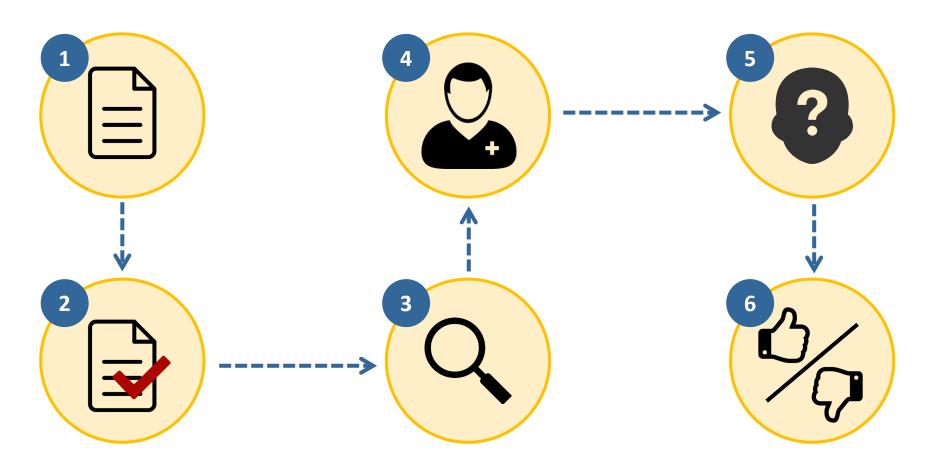


Autologous hematopoietic stem cell transplantation for treatment of individuals with multiple myeloma is a covered indication for single auto and tandem (auto followed by auto).²



• "...covers an autologous hematopoietic stem-cell transplantation (HSCT) for the treatment of active multiple myeloma (MM) as medically necessary for EITHER of the following indications: after response to primary therapy or refractory to primary therapy in an individual with relapse or progressive disease."

- 1. Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation for Myelodysplastic Syndrome. Aetna.
- 2. Transplant Review Guidelines: Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation. Optum.
- 3. Cigna Medical Coverage Policy. Stem-Cell Transplantation for Multiple Myeloma, POEMS Syndrome and Amyloidosis. Cigna.



Expect gene therapy to be reviewed on a case-by-case basis as well.

Optum's Commercial Pediatric Transplant Centers Of Excellence (COE) Network

Optum has 69 pediatric COEs in the United States.1



1. Optum's Commercial Pediatric Transplant Centers of Excellence Network as of November 10, 2016.

Typically contracts are bundled, which will present challenges for the added cost of gene editing.



In Network:

Aetna, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Cigna, UnitedHealthcare, EmblemHealth, HealthSmart, MagnaCare¹

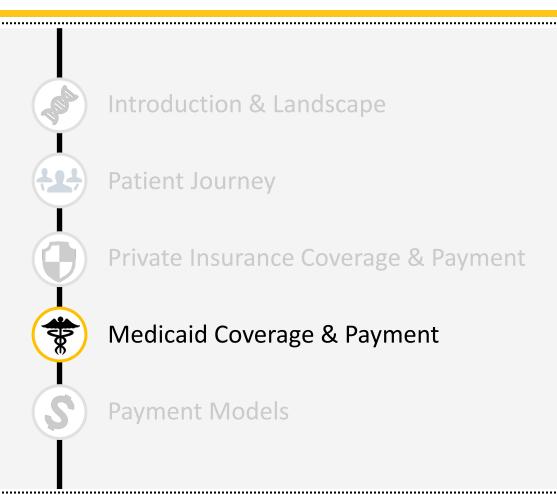


Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center UW Medicine Seattle Children's

In Network:

Premera Bluss Cross, Community Health Plan of Washington, UnitedHealthcare Charter Plans HMO, Group Health HMO²

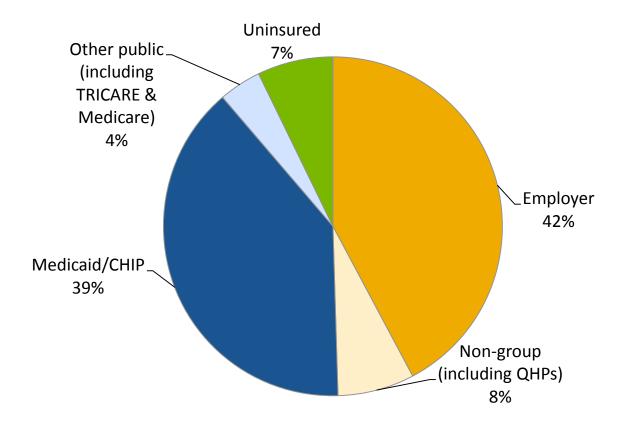
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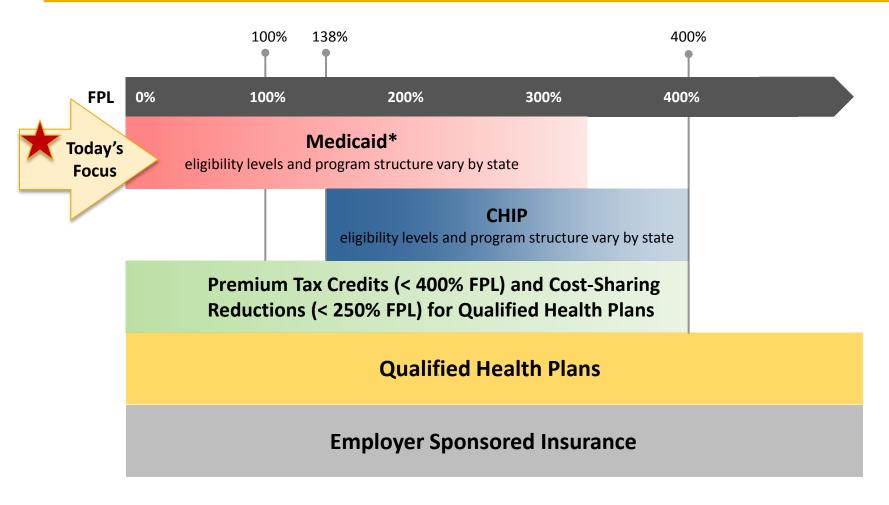
In 2014, what percentage of young children (age 0-3) had Medicaid/CHIP coverage?

- A. 27%
- B. 39%
- C. 47%
- D. Not sure

93% of the U.S.'s 12 million young children have health insurance coverage

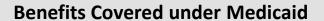


Source: U.S. Census, Current Population Survey (2014), http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/cpstables/032015/health/hi08.xls



^{*}Optional state Medicaid programs may provide coverage for children beyond those categorically eligible for Medicaid as low-income children. Alternative coverage may include the Medically Needy program, the Home and Community-Based Services program, and Institutional Medicaid.

Source: Medicaid and CHIP eligibility levels: http://kff.org/health-reform/state-indicator/medicaid-and-chip-income-eligibility-limits-for-children-as-a-percent-of-the-federal-poverty-level/

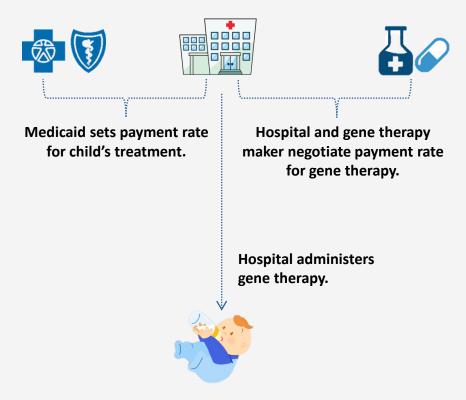


- States must cover certain services under Medicaid, including:
 - Hospital care,
 - Nursing facility services,
 - Physician services,
 - Clinic services,
 - Laboratory and x-ray services, and
 - Family planning services.
- States must also cover Early Periodic Screening,
 Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) services.
- Medicaid must provide all medically necessary services to children.
- While services may be subject to utilization management (such as prior authorization), states may not impose service caps on children.

Prescription drug coverage is an optional benefit, but all states provide such coverage.

Includes health care and treatment necessary "to correct or ameliorate" conditions, interpreted by courts to mean all medically necessary services for children, even if not for adults.

States are not required to cover experimental services; with new treatments, a critical issue is determining when a treatment is medical necessity vs. experimental.



Child endures a 6 month hospital stay in the course of the gene therapy. Medicaid provides <u>full</u> <u>coverage</u> for the gene therapy and related hospitalization. The family owes <u>no cost sharing</u>.

If children are not income-eligible for Medicaid, they may be eligible for coverage under another Medicaid program.

Medicaid for Low-Income Children



If children are not income-eligible for Medicaid, they may qualify for one of the following Medicaid programs.

Alternatives to Medicaid



Medically Needy Program



Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) and Katie Beckett Waiver Programs



Institutional Medicaid Coverage Program

Under all three alternatives, children generally are not subject to premiums and cost sharing.

Children, who are eligible for these alternative Medicaid programs, also may have employer-sponsored insurance (ESI) coverage, which acts as the first payor.





Medically Needy Program

Optional state program that extends Medicaid eligibility to individuals with high medical expenses whose income exceeds the maximum threshold, but who otherwise would be eligible for Medicaid.

In 2009, 740,000 non-disabled children were enrolled in a state medically needy program, representing 2.4% of all medically needy enrollment.¹

Qualifying for Medically Needy Option

- 1. Individuals with income below state-established Medically Needy levels but above categorically needy income levels.
- 2. Persons must incur sufficient medical costs (the "spend down" or "share of cost") so that their remaining income falls below a state's Medically Needy income level.

Calculating a family's "spend down": Subtract the state's monthly Medically Needy income level of \$1,390 from the family income's, assumed to be \$6,000/month; the family's "spend down" would be \$4,610/month.

Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured and Urban Institute estimates based on data from FFY 2009 MSIS, 2012.



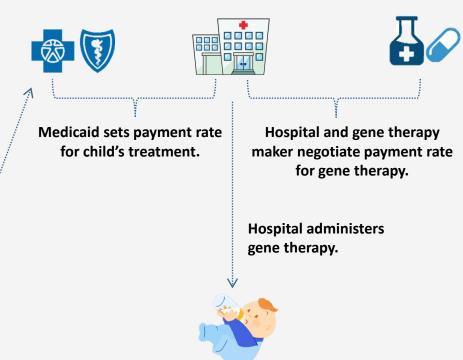
Child may qualify for Medicaid coverage through his state's Medically Needy program.

- Proceed with gene therapy treatment
- Spends down income to make child Medicaid-eligible



Family <u>first</u> must incur monthly medical costs equal to the difference between the family income and the Medically Needy income level.

Note: The family's spending on child's ESI premium counts toward spend down.



Child endures a 6 month hospital stay over the course of treatment:

- ESI covers all services not related to the gene therapy.
- Family liable for \$27,660 against the spend down.*
- Medicaid covers all remaining costs related to the gene therapy.

^{*}Some states offer assistance to help pay for medical bills, which may count towards the medically needy spend down, but is not counted toward family income.

Coverage under Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) and Katie Beckett Waiver Programs



HCBS Waiver Program

- Optional state program that provides Medicaid coverage to individuals who require a facility level of care but instead opt-to receive care at home.
- Parental income and resources are not considered eligibility.
- Not all HCBS programs are applicable to gene therapy.

The Katie Beckett program is similar but often has less strict eligibility criteria than HCBS; however, most states do not have a Katie Beckett program.



- Child needs a facility level of care but that care can be provided at home.
- Child meets state's HCBS program criteria for physically disabled children, and enrolls in Medicaid under that program.*

After 2 months of home care, child is hospitalized and family proceeds with gene therapy treatment.

Medicaid sets payment rate for child's gene therapy treatment.

Hospital and gene therapy maker negotiate payment rate for gene therapy.

Hospital administers gene therapy.

Child receives home care for 2 months prior to gene therapy and endures a 6 month hospital stay in the course of his treatment:

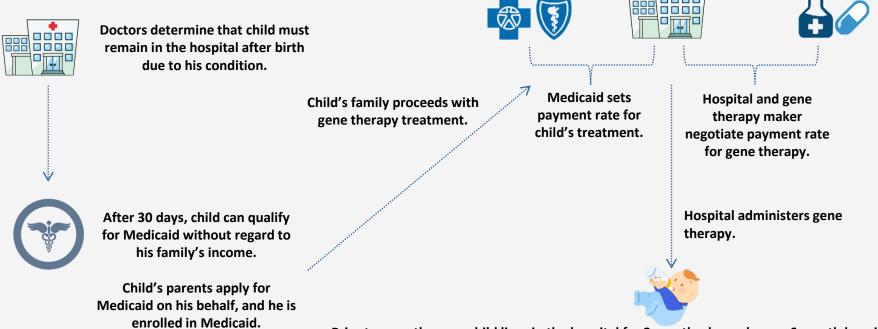
- ESI covers all services not related to the gene therapy.
- Medicaid covers all costs related to the gene therapy and the cost sharing child owes under ESI (up to the Medicaid fee schedule amount).

Note: After a month in the hospital, child's Medicaid would likely transition from HCBS coverage to institutional coverage.

^{*}Alternatively, some children may be eligible for Medicaid under the Katie Beckett program (for children with disabilities or complex medical conditions), which may have less strict requirements than the HCBS programs.



Institutional Medicaid Coverage Program: Children who are institutionalized for more than 30 days may be determined Medicaid eligible without considering family income and resources. States provide full benefits, including EPSDT.



Prior to gene therapy, child lives in the hospital for 2 months; he endures a 6 month hospital stay in the course of his treatment:

- ESI covers all services not related to the gene therapy.
- Medicaid covers all costs related to the gene therapy and the cost sharing that child owes under ESI.*
- Family owes no cost sharing under Medicaid, but will pay cost sharing, up to \$10,000, under ESI for costs related to the first 30 days of hospitalization.

^{*}ESI cost sharing for the first month in the hospital would not be covered by Medicaid. Medicaid will cover cost sharing up to the applicable amount on the Medicaid fee schedule.

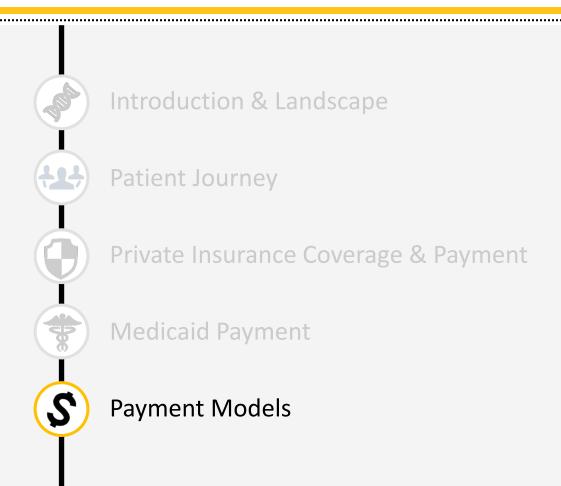
Consumers have due process rights if Medicaid denies gene therapy coverage for children

Families may:

Pursue an administrative appeal of Medicaid's denial of coverage through a fair hearing and, if necessary, litigation;

and/or

Work with advocacy groups and gene therapy makers to pressure Medicaid to revise their findings.



There are few analogues in the marketplace that serve as predictors of how gene therapy might be covered and paid for by key payers.

- 1 Non-Traditional Financial Models
- 2 Risk Sharing With Transplant Facility
- 3 Pay for Outcomes

Thank You!

Questions?

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