

2008 Maryland Medicaid Data per County

Maryland Medicaid 2008 data provided by the Hilltop Institute's website and report created specifically for the Family Health Administration for shortage designations. The Hilltop Institute at UMBC is a nationally recognized research center dedicated to improving the health and social outcomes of vulnerable populations.

The 2008 Maryland Medicaid Eligible Population was pulled from the Medicaid website: www.chpm-ehealth.org , published by the Hilltop Institution as of the end of March 2009.

The 2008 Medicaid claim numbers per county were derived from a report created by the Hilltop Institution based on claims submitted by dental, mental health and primary care providers who provided services to Medicaid recipients enrolled in the program for at least 320 days or more for the calendar year, no more than one gap in enrollment of up to 45 days, and enrollment as of December 31 of the calendar year per Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) enrollment criteria.

Dental Claims

Specialty codes used to identify Medicaid dental care providers: 123 (endodontics), 131 (general dentistry), 187 (pedodontics), and 188 (periodontics) per Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA's) guidelines.

Mental Health Claims

Specialty codes used to identify Medicaid mental health providers: 172 (nurse psychotherapist), 053 (child and adolescent psychology), 162 (mental health), 052 (psychiatry), 196 (psychologists) and 208 (social worker) per HRSA's guidelines. Since specialty mental health services are carved out of the Medicaid Managed Care Organization benefit package and are delivered on a Fee-For-Service (FFS) basis, Hilltop only counted mental health providers associated with claims occurring in the FFS files.

Primary Care Claims

Specialty codes used to identify Medicaid primary care providers: 029 (family practice), 028 (general practice), 030 (internal medicine), 007 (obstetrics and gynecology), 043 (emergency medicine), and 016 (pediatrics) per HRSA's guidelines.