

WOMEN'S HEALTH

SERVICES PROGRAM

Who's Eligible? MO HealthNet offers family planning services to women 18 through 55 that have family income at or below 201% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), and are not otherwise eligible for full Medicaid, Medicare, or health insurance coverage that provides family planning services.

What do Women's Health Services include?

- * Contraception (oral, implants, injectables, patches, IUDs);
- * Cancer screenings;
- * Sexually transmitted disease (STD) testing and treatment, including Pap tests and pelvic exams; and
- * Family planning counseling/education on various methods of birth control.

What are the Objectives for the Women's Health Services Program?

- * Reducing the number of unintended pregnancies in Missouri;
- * Reducing Medicaid expenditures by preventing unintended births;
- * Assisting women in preventing STDs.



68,715 enrollees in 2016

During the 2016 legislative session, the Women's Health Services Program was changed from a federal waiver (with a 90/10 match) to a fully state-funded program. A move back to the federal program would **save Missouri \$9,192,219.**

For every \$1 invested in publicly funded family planning services, \$7.09 is saved in Medicaid expenditures.



\$7,594,150

Total state and federal cost savings to Missouri in 2015. Savings increase to **\$16,830,206** when accounting for first year of life.

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