

Managed Care Program Annual Report (MCPAR) for North Dakota: Medicaid Expansion June 2025 Submission

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Indicator	Response
Exclusion of CHIP from MCPAR Enrollees in separate CHIP programs funded under Title XXI should not be reported in the MCPAR. Please check this box if the state is unable to remove information about Separate CHIP enrollees from its reporting on this program.	Not Selected

Section A: Program Information

Point of Contact

Number	Indicator	Response
A1	State name Auto-populated from your account profile.	North Dakota
A2a	Contact name First and last name of the contact person. States that do not wish to list a specific individual on the report are encouraged to use a department or program-wide email address that will allow anyone with questions to quickly reach someone who can provide answers.	Jared Ferguson
A2b	Contact email address Enter email address. Department or program-wide email addresses ok.	jadferguson@nd.gov
A3a	Submitter name CMS receives this data upon submission of this MCPAR report.	Jared Ferguson
A3b	Submitter email address CMS receives this data upon submission of this MCPAR report.	jadferguson@nd.gov
A4	Date of report submission CMS receives this date upon submission of this MCPAR report.	06/03/2025

Reporting Period

Number	Indicator	Response
A5a	Reporting period start date Auto-populated from report dashboard.	01/01/2024
A5b	Reporting period end date Auto-populated from report dashboard.	12/31/2024
A6	Program name Auto-populated from report dashboard.	Medicaid Expansion June 2025 Submission

Add plans (A.7)

Enter the name of each plan that participates in the program for which the state is reporting data.

Indicator	Response
Plan name	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota


Add BSS entities (A.8)

Enter the names of Beneficiary Support System (BSS) entities that support enrollees in the program for which the state is reporting data. Learn more about BSS entities at 42 CFR 438.71. See Glossary in Excel Workbook for the definition of BSS entities.

Examples of BSS entity types include a: State or Local Government Entity, Ombudsman Program, State Health Insurance Program (SHIP), Aging and Disability Resource Network (ADRN), Center for Independent Living (CIL), Legal Assistance Organization, Community-based Organization, Subcontractor, Enrollment Broker, Consultant, or Academic/Research Organization.

Indicator	Response
BSS entity name	State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)

Add In Lieu of Services and Settings (A.9)



Beginning December 2025, this section must be completed by states that authorize ILOS. Submission of this data before December 2025 is optional.

This section must be completed if any ILOSs *other than short term stays in an Institution for Mental Diseases (IMD)* are authorized for this managed care program. **Enter the name of each ILOS offered as it is identified in the managed care plan contract(s).** Guidance on In Lieu of Services on Medicaid.gov.

Indicator	Response
ILOS name	American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) 3.2 Clinical Withdrawal Management Crisis Stabilization Services Mobile Crisis Peer Support

Section B: State-Level Indicators

Topic I. Program Characteristics and Enrollment

Number	Indicator	Response
BI.1	Statewide Medicaid enrollment Enter the average number of individuals enrolled in Medicaid per month during the reporting year (i.e., average member months). Include all FFS and managed care enrollees and count each person only once, regardless of the delivery system(s) in which they are enrolled.	107,622
BI.2	Statewide Medicaid managed care enrollment Enter the average number of individuals enrolled in any type of Medicaid managed care per month during the reporting year (i.e., average member months). Include all managed care programs and count each person only once, even if they are enrolled in multiple managed care programs or plans.	26,022

Topic III. Encounter Data Report

Number	Indicator	Response
BIII.1	Data validation entity Select the state agency/division or contractor tasked with evaluating the validity of encounter data submitted by MCPs. Encounter data validation includes verifying the accuracy, completeness, timeliness, and/or consistency of encounter data records submitted to the state by Medicaid managed care plans. Validation steps may include pre-acceptance edits and post-acceptance analyses. See Glossary in Excel Workbook for more information.	EQRO

Topic X: Program Integrity

Number	Indicator	Response
BX.1	<p>Payment risks between the state and plans</p> <p>Describe service-specific or other focused PI activities that the state conducted during the past year in this managed care program. Examples include analyses focused on use of long-term services and supports (LTSS) or prescription drugs or activities that focused on specific payment issues to identify, address, and prevent fraud, waste or abuse. Consider data analytics, reviews of under/overutilization, and other activities. If no PI activities were performed, enter "No PI activities were performed during the reporting period" as your response. "N/A" is not an acceptable response.</p>	<p>Quarterly Fraud & Abuse Report filed by MCO; Immediate (within one working day) reporting by MCO of suspected Fraud or Abuse</p>
BX.2	<p>Contract standard for overpayments</p> <p>Does the state allow plans to retain overpayments, require the return of overpayments, or has established a hybrid system? Select one.</p>	<p>State has established a hybrid system</p>
BX.3	<p>Location of contract provision stating overpayment standard</p> <p>Describe where the overpayment standard in the previous indicator is located in plan contracts, as required by 42 CFR 438.608(d)(1)(i).</p>	<p>Section 2.16.1 of North Dakota Medicaid Expansion Contract</p>
BX.4	<p>Description of overpayment contract standard</p> <p>Briefly describe the overpayment standard (for example, details on whether the state allows plans to retain overpayments, requires the plans to return overpayments, or administers a hybrid system) selected in indicator B.X.2.</p>	<p>A mechanism for a Network Provider to report to MCO when it has received an overpayment, to return the overpayment to MCO within sixty calendars days after the date on which the overpayment was identified. The process, timeframes and documentation required for reporting the recovery of all overpayments. MCO shall not recover from providers via automated review for claims older than one year unless authorized by State. The collected funds from MCO automated reviews are to remain with the MCO.</p>

BX.5	<p>State overpayment reporting monitoring</p> <p>Describe how the state monitors plan performance in reporting overpayments to the state, e.g. does the state track compliance with this requirement and/or timeliness of reporting?</p> <p>The regulations at 438.604(a)(7), 608(a)(2) and 608(a)(3) require plan reporting to the state on various overpayment topics (whether annually or promptly). This indicator is asking the state how it monitors that reporting.</p>	Quarterly Fraud and Abuse Report filed by MCO; Immediate (within one working day) reporting by MCO of suspected Fraud or Abuse to the State
BX.6	<p>Changes in beneficiary circumstances</p> <p>Describe how the state ensures timely and accurate reconciliation of enrollment files between the state and plans to ensure appropriate payments for enrollees experiencing a change in status (e.g., incarcerated, deceased, switching plans).</p>	Regular, recurring transmission of enrollment data from State to MCO. All types of potential Fraud and all types of potential Enrollee Waste or Abuse related to the Medicaid program shall be reported to STATE within one (1) business day of discovery.
BX.7a	<p>Changes in provider circumstances: Monitoring plans</p> <p>Does the state monitor whether plans report provider “for cause” terminations in a timely manner under 42 CFR 438.608(a)(4)? Select one.</p>	Yes
BX.7b	<p>Changes in provider circumstances: Metrics</p> <p>Does the state use a metric or indicator to assess plan reporting performance? Select one.</p>	Yes
BX.7c	<p>Changes in provider circumstances: Describe metric</p> <p>Describe the metric or indicator that the state uses.</p>	All types of potential Fraud and all types of potential Enrollee Waste or Abuse related to the Medicaid program shall be reported to STATE within one (1) business day of discovery.
BX.8a	Federal database checks: Excluded person or entities	No

During the state's federal database checks, did the state find any person or entity excluded? Select one. Consistent with the requirements at 42 CFR 455.436 and 438.602, the State must confirm the identity and determine the exclusion status of the MCO, PIHP, PAHP, PCCM or PCCM entity, any subcontractor, as well as any person with an ownership or control interest, or who is an agent or managing employee of the MCO, PIHP, PAHP, PCCM or PCCM entity through routine checks of Federal databases.

BX.9a **Website posting of 5 percent or more ownership control** No

Does the state post on its website the names of individuals and entities with 5% or more ownership or control interest in MCOs, PIHPs, PAHPs, PCCMs and PCCM entities and subcontractors? Refer to 42 CFR 438.602(g)(3) and 455.104.

BX.10 **Periodic audits** <https://www.hhs.nd.gov/sites/www/files/documents/technical-report-measurement-me-2024.pdf>

If the state conducted any audits during the contract year to determine the accuracy, truthfulness, and completeness of the encounter and financial data submitted by the plans, provide the link(s) to the audit results. Refer to 42 CFR 438.602(e). If no audits were conducted, please enter "No such audits were conducted during the reporting year" as your response. "N/A" is not an acceptable response.

Topic XIII. Prior Authorization

 **Beginning June 2026, Indicators B.XIII.1a-b-2a-b must be completed. Submission of this data before June 2026 is optional.**

Number	Indicator	Response
N/A	Are you reporting data prior to June 2026?	Yes
BXIII.1a	Timeframes for standard prior authorization decisions Plans must provide notice of their decisions on prior authorization requests as expeditiously as the enrollee's condition requires and within state-established timeframes. For rating periods that start before January 1, 2026, a state's time frame may not exceed 14 calendar days after receiving the request. For rating periods that start on or after January 1, 2026, a state's time frame may not exceed 7 calendar days after receiving the request. Does the state set timeframes shorter than these maximum timeframes for standard prior authorization requests?	Yes
BXIII.1b	State's timeframe for standard prior authorization decisions Indicate the state's maximum timeframe, as number of days, for plans to provide notice of their decisions on standard prior authorization requests.	14
BXIII.2a	Timeframes for expedited prior authorization decisions Plans must provide notice of their decisions on prior authorization requests as expeditiously as the enrollee's condition requires and no later than 72 hours after receipt of the request for service. Does the state set timeframes shorter than the maximum timeframe for expedited prior authorization requests?	No

Section C: Program-Level Indicators

Topic I: Program Characteristics

Number	Indicator	Response
C11.1	Program contract Enter the title of the contract between the state and plans participating in the managed care program.	North Dakota Medicaid Expansion Managed Care Organization (MCO) Contract
N/A	Enter the date of the contract between the state and plans participating in the managed care program.	01/01/2022
C11.2	Contract URL Provide the hyperlink to the model contract or landing page for executed contracts for the program reported in this program.	https://www.hhs.nd.gov/healthcare/medicaid-expansion
C11.3	Program type What is the type of MCPs that contract with the state to provide the services covered under the program? Select one.	Managed Care Organization (MCO)
C11.4a	Special program benefits Are any of the four special benefit types covered by the managed care program: (1) behavioral health, (2) long-term services and supports, (3) dental, and (4) transportation, or (5) none of the above? Select one or more. Only list the benefit type if it is a covered service as specified in a contract between the state and managed care plans participating in the program. Benefits available to eligible program enrollees via fee-for-service should not be listed here.	Behavioral health Transportation
C11.4b	Variation in special benefits What are any variations in the availability of special benefits within the program (e.g. by service area or population)? Enter "N/A" if not applicable.	Covers up to thirty consecutive days in a twelve month period of Skilled Nursing Facility services
C11.5	Program enrollment Enter the average number of individuals enrolled in this managed care program per	26,022

month during the reporting year (i.e., average member months).

C1I.6

Changes to enrollment or benefits

Briefly explain any major changes to the population enrolled in or benefits provided by the managed care program during the reporting year. If there were no major changes, please enter "There were no major changes to the population or benefits during the reporting year" as your response. "N/A" is not an acceptable response.

In the beginning of the reporting year, PHE Unwinding resulted in enrollees to loose coverage resulting in declines in enrollment. There were no major changes to benefits for the reporting period.

Topic III: Encounter Data Report

Number	Indicator	Response
C1III.1	Uses of encounter data For what purposes does the state use encounter data collected from managed care plans (MCPs)? Select one or more. Federal regulations require that states, through their contracts with MCPs, collect and maintain sufficient enrollee encounter data to identify the provider who delivers any item(s) or service(s) to enrollees (42 CFR 438.242(c)(1)).	Rate setting
		Quality/performance measurement
		Monitoring and reporting
		Contract oversight
		Program integrity
		Policy making and decision support
C1III.2	Criteria/measures to evaluate MCP performance What types of measures are used by the state to evaluate managed care plan performance in encounter data submission and correction? Select one or more. Federal regulations also require that states validate that submitted enrollee encounter data they receive is a complete and accurate representation of the services provided to enrollees under the contract between the state and the MCO, PIHP, or PAHP. 42 CFR 438.242(d).	Timeliness of initial data submissions
		Timeliness of data corrections
		Timeliness of data certifications
		Use of correct file formats
		Provider ID field complete
		Overall data accuracy (as determined through data validation)
C1III.3	Encounter data performance criteria contract language Provide reference(s) to the contract section(s) that describe the criteria by which managed care plan performance on encounter data submission and correction will be measured. Use contract section references, not page numbers.	2.15

C1III.4	Financial penalties contract language	5.9.5(C)
	Provide reference(s) to the contract section(s) that describes any financial penalties the state may impose on plans for the types of failures to meet encounter data submission and quality standards. Use contract section references, not page numbers.	
C1III.5	Incentives for encounter data quality	N/A
	Describe the types of incentives that may be awarded to managed care plans for encounter data quality. Reply with "N/A" if the plan does not use incentives to award encounter data quality.	
C1III.6	Barriers to collecting/validating encounter data	The STATE did not experience any barriers to collecting or validating encounter data during the reporting year.
	Describe any barriers to collecting and/or validating managed care plan encounter data that the state has experienced during the reporting year. If there were no barriers, please enter "The state did not experience any barriers to collecting or validating encounter data during the reporting year" as your response. "N/A" is not an acceptable response.	

Topic IV. Appeals, State Fair Hearings & Grievances

Number	Indicator	Response
C1IV.1	<p>State’s definition of “critical incident”, as used for reporting purposes in its MLTSS program</p> <p>If this report is being completed for a managed care program that covers LTSS, what is the definition that the state uses for “critical incidents” within the managed care program? Respond with “N/A” if the managed care program does not cover LTSS.</p>	N/A
C1IV.2	<p>State definition of “timely” resolution for standard appeals</p> <p>Provide the state’s definition of timely resolution for standard appeals in the managed care program. Per 42 CFR §438.408(b)(2), states must establish a timeframe for timely resolution of standard appeals that is no longer than 30 calendar days from the day the MCO, PIHP or PAHP receives the appeal.</p>	MCO shall resolve each Appeal and provide notice of resolution to affected parties as expeditiously as the Enrollee’s health condition requires but no later than thirty (30) calendar days for a standard Appeal from the day MCO receives the Appeal.
C1IV.3	<p>State definition of “timely” resolution for expedited appeals</p> <p>Provide the state’s definition of timely resolution for expedited appeals in the managed care program. Per 42 CFR §438.408(b)(3), states must establish a timeframe for timely resolution of expedited appeals that is no longer than 72 hours after the MCO, PIHP or PAHP receives the appeal.</p>	MCO shall resolve each expedited Appeal and provide notice of resolution to affected parties as expeditiously as the Enrollee’s health condition requires but no later than seventy-two (72) hours from the when MCO receives the Appeal

C1IV.4	State definition of “timely” resolution for grievances Provide the state’s definition of timely resolution for grievances in the managed care program. Per 42 CFR §438.408(b)(1), states must establish a timeframe for timely resolution of grievances that is no longer than 90 calendar days from the day the MCO, PIHP or PAHP receives the grievance.	MCO shall review the Grievance and provide written notice to the Enrollee of the disposition of a Grievance as expeditiously as the Enrollee’s health condition requires and no later than ninety (90) calendar days from the date the MCO receives the Grievance.
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Topic V. Availability, Accessibility and Network Adequacy

Network Adequacy

Number	Indicator	Response
C1V.1	Gaps/challenges in network adequacy What are the state’s biggest challenges? Describe any challenges MCPs have maintaining adequate networks and meeting access standards. If the state and MCPs did not encounter any challenges, please enter “No challenges were encountered” as your response. “N/A” is not an acceptable response.	Recruiting for Specialty Providers due to rural nature of the state is a challenge. Patient access standards are being met for all providers.
C1V.2	State response to gaps in network adequacy How does the state work with MCPs to address gaps in network adequacy?	Quarterly scatter-point maps and enrollment information identify any potential gaps in network adequacy. MCO and State identify geographic areas of concern and MCO completes outreach to providers in the identified area(s) and specialties.

Access Measures

Describe the measures the state uses to monitor availability, accessibility, and network adequacy. Report at the program level.

Revisions to the Medicaid managed care regulations in 2016 and 2020 built on existing requirements that managed care plans maintain provider networks sufficient to ensure adequate access to covered services by: (1) requiring states to develop quantitative network adequacy standards for at least eight specified provider types if covered under the contract, and to make these standards available online; (2) strengthening network adequacy monitoring requirements; and (3) addressing the needs of people with long-term care service needs (42 CFR 438.66; 42 CFR 438.68).

42 CFR 438.66(e) specifies that the MCPAR must provide information on and an assessment of the availability and accessibility of covered services within the MCO, PHIP, or PAHP contracts, including network adequacy standards for each managed care program.



Complete

C2.V.1 General category: General quantitative availability and accessibility standard

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C2.V.2 Measure standard

"Except in rural areas of the state, MCO shall ensure that every Enrollee has a choice of PCPs whose office is located within thirty (30) minutes or thirty (30) miles driving distance from the Enrollee's North Dakota residence, as indicated on the enrollment file provided to MCO by STATE. In the case of Enrollees residing in rural areas of the state, MCO must ensure a choice of PCPs whose office is located within fifty (50) minutes or fifty (50) miles driving distance from the Enrollee's North Dakota residence."

C2.V.3 Standard type

Maximum distance to travel

C2.V.4 Provider

Primary care

C2.V.5 Region

Statewide

C2.V.6 Population

Adult

C2.V.7 Monitoring Methods

Geomapping

C2.V.8 Frequency of oversight methods

Quarterly



Complete

C2.V.1 General category: General quantitative availability and accessibility standard

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C2.V.2 Measure standard

MCO must maintain a ratio for each high volume Behavioral/Mental Health and substance use disorder Practitioner type of one full time equivalent Practitioner per three thousand (3,000) Enrollees.

C2.V.3 Standard type

Provider to enrollee ratios

C2.V.4 Provider

Behavioral health

C2.V.5 Region

Statewide

C2.V.6 Population

Adult

C2.V.7 Monitoring Methods

Plan provider roster review, Geomapping

C2.V.8 Frequency of oversight methods



Complete

C2.V.1 General category: General quantitative availability and accessibility standard

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C2.V.2 Measure standard

"General: Emergency Services – available twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven days a week. Urgent Care – within twenty-four (24) hours. Non-Urgent Sick Care – within seventy-two (72) hours, or sooner, if condition deteriorates into urgent or emergency condition. Routine, Non-Urgent or Preventative Care Visits – within six weeks of Enrollee request. Behavioral/Mental Health and/or Substance Use Disorder: Emergency Services, Life Threatening – Immediate. Emergency Services, Non- Life Threatening – Within 6 hours. Urgent Care – within twenty-four (24) hours. Initial Visits, Routine Care –within ten (10) working days. Follow-Up Visits, Routine Care –within thirty (30) days."

C2.V.3 Standard type

Ease of getting a timely appointment

C2.V.4 Provider

Primary care

C2.V.5 Region

Statewide

C2.V.6 Population

Adult

C2.V.7 Monitoring Methods

Secret shopper calls, Plan provider roster review, Geomapping

C2.V.8 Frequency of oversight methods

Annually

Topic IX: Beneficiary Support System (BSS)

Number	Indicator	Response
C1IX.1	BSS website List the website(s) and/or email address(es) that beneficiaries use to seek assistance from the BSS through electronic means. Separate entries with commas.	https://ndcpd.org/ndnavigator/
C1IX.2	BSS auxiliary aids and services How do BSS entities offer services in a manner that is accessible to all beneficiaries who need their services, including beneficiaries with disabilities, as required by 42 CFR 438.71(b)(2)? CFR 438.71 requires that the beneficiary support system be accessible in multiple ways including phone, Internet, in-person, and via auxiliary aids and services when requested.	Accessible in multiple ways including phone, internet, in-person, and text. Auxiliary aides and services available upon request.
C1IX.3	BSS LTSS program data How do BSS entities assist the state with identifying, remediating, and resolving systemic issues based on a review of LTSS program data such as grievances and appeals or critical incident data? Refer to 42 CFR 438.71(d)(4).	N/A
C1IX.4	State evaluation of BSS entity performance What are steps taken by the state to evaluate the quality, effectiveness, and efficiency of the BSS entities' performance?	Review of metrics reported to State for activity pertaining to initial contact resolution and satisfaction report

Topic X: Program Integrity

Number	Indicator	Response
C1X.3	Prohibited affiliation disclosure Did any plans disclose prohibited affiliations? If the state took action, enter those actions under D: Plan-level Indicators, Section VIII - Sanctions (Corresponds with Tab D3 in the Excel Workbook). Refer to 42 CFR 438.610(d).	No

Topic XII. Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Parity

Number	Indicator	Response
C1XII.4	<p>Does this program include MCOs?</p> <p>If “Yes”, please complete the following questions.</p>	Yes
C1XII.5	<p>Are ANY services provided to MCO enrollees by a PIHP, PAHP, or FFS delivery system?</p> <p>(i.e. some services are delivered via fee for service (FFS), prepaid inpatient health plan (PIHP), or prepaid ambulatory health plan (PAHP) delivery system)</p>	Yes
C1XII.6	<p>Did the State or MCOs complete the most recent parity analysis(es)?</p>	MCO
C1XII.7a	<p>Have there been any events in the reporting period that necessitated an update to the parity analysis(es)?</p> <p>(e.g. changes in benefits, quantitative treatment limits (QTLs), non-quantitative treatment limits (NQTLs), or financial requirements; the addition of a new managed care plan (MCP) providing services to MCO enrollees; and/or deficiencies corrected)</p>	No
C1XII.8	<p>When was the last parity analysis(es) for this program completed?</p> <p>States with ANY services provided to MCO enrollees by an entity other than an MCO should report the date the state completed its most recent summary parity analysis report. States with NO services provided to MCO enrollees by an entity other than an MCO should report the most recent date any MCO sent the state its parity analysis (the state may have multiple reports, one for each MCO).</p>	09/25/2021
C1XII.9	<p>When was the last parity analysis(es) for this program</p>	09/25/2021

submitted to CMS?

States with ANY services provided to MCO enrollees by an entity other than an MCO should report the date the state's most recent summary parity analysis report was submitted to CMS. States with NO services provided to MCO enrollees by an entity other than an MCO should report the most recent date the state submitted any MCO's parity report to CMS (the state may have multiple parity reports, one for each MCO).

C1XII.10a	In the last analysis(es) conducted, were any deficiencies identified?	No
C1XII.12a	Has the state posted the current parity analysis(es) covering this program on its website? The current parity analysis/analyses must be posted on the state Medicaid program website. States with ANY services provided to MCO enrollees by an entity other than MCO should have a single state summary parity analysis report. States with NO services provided to MCO enrollees by an entity other than the MCO may have multiple parity reports (by MCO), in which case all MCOs' separate analyses must be posted. A "Yes" response means that the parity analysis for either the state or for ALL MCOs has been posted.	No
C1XII.12c	When will the state post the current parity analysis(es) on its State Medicaid website in accordance with 42 CFR § 438.920(b)(1)?	07/25/2025

Section D: Plan-Level Indicators

Topic I. Program Characteristics & Enrollment

Number	Indicator	Response
D1I.1	Plan enrollment Enter the average number of individuals enrolled in the plan per month during the reporting year (i.e., average member months).	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 26,022
D1I.2	Plan share of Medicaid What is the plan enrollment (within the specific program) as a percentage of the state's total Medicaid enrollment? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Numerator: Plan enrollment (D1.I.1)• Denominator: Statewide Medicaid enrollment (B.I.1)	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 24%
D1I.3	Plan share of any Medicaid managed care What is the plan enrollment (regardless of program) as a percentage of total Medicaid enrollment in any type of managed care? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Numerator: Plan enrollment (D1.I.1)• Denominator: Statewide Medicaid managed care enrollment (B.I.2)	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 100%

Topic II. Financial Performance

Number	Indicator	Response
D1II.1a	Medical Loss Ratio (MLR) What is the MLR percentage? Per 42 CFR 438.66(e)(2)(i), the Managed Care Program Annual Report must provide information on the Financial performance of each MCO, PIHP, and PAHP, including MLR experience. If MLR data are not available for this reporting period due to data lags, enter the MLR calculated for the most recently available reporting period and indicate the reporting period in item D1.II.3 below. See Glossary in Excel Workbook for the regulatory definition of MLR. Write MLR as a percentage: for example, write 92% rather than 0.92.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 91.8%
D1II.1b	Level of aggregation What is the aggregation level that best describes the MLR being reported in the previous indicator? Select one. As permitted under 42 CFR 438.8(i), states are allowed to aggregate data for reporting purposes across programs and populations.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota Program-specific statewide
D1II.2	Population specific MLR description Does the state require plans to submit separate MLR calculations for specific populations served within this program, for example, MLTSS or Group VIII expansion enrollees? If so, describe the populations here. Enter "N/A" if not applicable. See glossary for the regulatory definition of MLR.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota N/A
D1II.3	MLR reporting period discrepancies Does the data reported in item D1.II.1a cover a different time period than the MCPAR report?	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota Yes
N/A	Enter the start date.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 01/01/2023

N/A

Enter the end date.

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

12/31/2023

Topic III. Encounter Data

Number	Indicator	Response
D1III.1	<p>Definition of timely encounter data submissions</p> <p>Describe the state's standard for timely encounter data submissions used in this program. If reporting frequencies and standards differ by type of encounter within this program, please explain.</p>	<p>Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota</p> <p>MCO shall submit all Encounter Claims no later than twenty-five (25) calendar days after the date MCO adjudicates the Claim. Encounter submissions are due no later than the fifteenth (15th) of the month following the month of payments that is included in the Enrollee Encounter Data file. If the fifteenth (15th) falls on the weekend or a holiday, the submission is due on the next business day. If MCO is unable to make a submission during a certain month, MCO shall notify STATE of the reason for the delay and the estimated date when STATE can expect the submission. For all Enrollee Encounter Claims, when STATE returns or rejects a file of Claims, MCO shall have twenty (20) calendar days from the date MCO receives the file to resubmit the file with all of the required data elements in the correct file format.</p>
D1III.2	<p>Share of encounter data submissions that met state's timely submission requirements</p> <p>What percent of the plan's encounter data file submissions (submitted during the reporting year) met state requirements for timely submission? If the state has not yet received any encounter data file submissions for the entire contract year when it submits this report, the state should enter here the percentage of encounter data submissions that were compliant out of the file submissions it has received from the managed care plan for the reporting year.</p>	<p>Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota</p> <p>100%</p>
D1III.3	<p>Share of encounter data submissions that were HIPAA compliant</p> <p>What percent of the plan's encounter data submissions (submitted during the reporting year) met state requirements for HIPAA compliance? If the state has not yet received encounter data submissions for the entire contract period when</p>	<p>Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota</p> <p>100%</p>

it submits this report, enter here percentage of encounter data submissions that were compliant out of the proportion received from the managed care plan for the reporting year.

Topic IV. Appeals, State Fair Hearings & Grievances

⚠ Beginning June 2025, Indicators D1.IV.1a-c must be completed. Submission of this data before June 2025 is optional; if you choose not to respond prior to June 2025, enter “N/A”.

Appeals Overview

Number	Indicator	Response
D1IV.1	Appeals resolved (at the plan level) Enter the total number of appeals resolved during the reporting year. An appeal is “resolved” at the plan level when the plan has issued a decision, regardless of whether the decision was wholly or partially favorable or adverse to the beneficiary, and regardless of whether the beneficiary (or the beneficiary’s representative) chooses to file a request for a State Fair Hearing or External Medical Review.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 1,124
D1IV.1a	Appeals denied Enter the total number of appeals resolved during the reporting period (D1.IV.1) that were denied (adverse) to the enrollee. If you choose not to respond prior to June 2025, enter “N/A”.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 700
D1IV.1b	Appeals resolved in partial favor of enrollee Enter the total number of appeals (D1.IV.1) resolved during the reporting period in partial favor of the enrollee. If you choose not to respond prior to June 2025, enter “N/A”.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 9
D1IV.1c	Appeals resolved in favor of enrollee Enter the total number of appeals (D1.IV.1) resolved during the reporting period in favor of the enrollee. If you choose not to respond prior to June 2025, enter “N/A”.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 415
D1IV.2	Active appeals Enter the total number of appeals still pending or in process (not yet resolved) as of the end of the reporting year.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 7

D1IV.3	<p>Appeals filed on behalf of LTSS users</p> <p>Enter the total number of appeals filed during the reporting year by or on behalf of LTSS users. Enter “N/A” if not applicable.</p> <p>An LTSS user is an enrollee who received at least one LTSS service at any point during the reporting year (regardless of whether the enrollee was actively receiving LTSS at the time that the appeal was filed).</p>	<p>Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota</p> <p>N/A</p>
D1IV.4	<p>Number of critical incidents filed during the reporting year by (or on behalf of) an LTSS user who previously filed an appeal</p> <p>For managed care plans that cover LTSS, enter the number of critical incidents filed within the reporting year by (or on behalf of) LTSS users who previously filed appeals in the reporting year. If the managed care plan does not cover LTSS, enter “N/A”.</p> <p>Also, if the state already submitted this data for the reporting year via the CMS readiness review appeal and grievance report (because the managed care program or plan were new or serving new populations during the reporting year), and the readiness review tool was submitted for at least 6 months of the reporting year, enter “N/A”.</p> <p>The appeal and critical incident do not have to have been “related” to the same issue - they only need to have been filed by (or on behalf of) the same enrollee. Neither the critical incident nor the appeal need to have been filed in relation to delivery of LTSS — they may have been filed for any reason, related to any service received (or desired) by an LTSS user.</p> <p>To calculate this number, states or managed care plans should first identify the LTSS users for whom critical incidents were filed during the reporting year, then determine whether those</p>	<p>Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota</p> <p>N/A</p>

enrollees had filed an appeal during the reporting year, and whether the filing of the appeal preceded the filing of the critical incident.

D1IV.5a	Standard appeals for which timely resolution was provided Enter the total number of standard appeals for which timely resolution was provided by plan within the reporting year. See 42 CFR §438.408(b)(2) for requirements related to timely resolution of standard appeals.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 1,089
D1IV.5b	Expedited appeals for which timely resolution was provided Enter the total number of expedited appeals for which timely resolution was provided by plan within the reporting year. See 42 CFR §438.408(b)(3) for requirements related to timely resolution of standard appeals.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 35
D1IV.6a	Resolved appeals related to denial of authorization or limited authorization of a service Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to the plan's denial of authorization for a service not yet rendered or limited authorization of a service. (Appeals related to denial of payment for a service already rendered should be counted in indicator D1.IV.6c).	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 138

D1IV.6b	Resolved appeals related to reduction, suspension, or termination of a previously authorized service Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to the plan's reduction, suspension, or termination of a previously authorized service.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 0
D1IV.6c	Resolved appeals related to payment denial Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to the plan's denial, in whole or in part, of payment for a service that was already rendered.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 948
D1IV.6d	Resolved appeals related to service timeliness Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to the plan's failure to provide services in a timely manner (as defined by the state).	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 0
D1IV.6e	Resolved appeals related to lack of timely plan response to an appeal or grievance Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to the plan's failure to act within the timeframes provided at 42 CFR §438.408(b)(1) and (2) regarding the standard resolution of grievances and appeals.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 0
D1IV.6f	Resolved appeals related to plan denial of an enrollee's right to request out-of-network care Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to the plan's denial of an enrollee's request to exercise their right, under 42 CFR §438.52(b)(2)(ii), to obtain	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 38

services outside the network
(only applicable to residents of
rural areas with only one MCO).

D1IV.6g	Resolved appeals related to denial of an enrollee's request to dispute financial liability	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota
	Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to the plan's denial of an enrollee's request to dispute a financial liability.	0

Appeals by Service

Number of appeals resolved during the reporting period related to various services.

Note: A single appeal may be related to multiple service types and may therefore be counted in multiple categories.

Number	Indicator	Response
D1IV.7a	<p>Resolved appeals related to general inpatient services</p> <p>Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to general inpatient care, including diagnostic and laboratory services.</p> <p>Do not include appeals related to inpatient behavioral health services – those should be included in indicator D1.IV.7c. If the managed care plan does not cover general inpatient services, enter “N/A”.</p>	<p>Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota</p> <p>323</p>
D1IV.7b	<p>Resolved appeals related to general outpatient services</p> <p>Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to general outpatient care, including diagnostic and laboratory services. Please do not include appeals related to outpatient behavioral health services – those should be included in indicator D1.IV.7d. If the managed care plan does not cover general outpatient services, enter “N/A”.</p>	<p>Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota</p> <p>785</p>
D1IV.7c	<p>Resolved appeals related to inpatient behavioral health services</p> <p>Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to inpatient mental health and/or substance use services. If the managed care plan does not cover inpatient behavioral health services, enter “N/A”.</p>	<p>Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota</p> <p>8</p>
D1IV.7d	<p>Resolved appeals related to outpatient behavioral health services</p> <p>Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that</p>	<p>Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota</p> <p>6</p>

were related to outpatient mental health and/or substance use services. If the managed care plan does not cover outpatient behavioral health services, enter "N/A".

D1IV.7e	Resolved appeals related to covered outpatient prescription drugs Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to outpatient prescription drugs covered by the managed care plan. If the managed care plan does not cover outpatient prescription drugs, enter "N/A".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota N/A
D1IV.7f	Resolved appeals related to skilled nursing facility (SNF) services Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to SNF services. If the managed care plan does not cover skilled nursing services, enter "N/A".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 2
D1IV.7g	Resolved appeals related to long-term services and supports (LTSS) Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to institutional LTSS or LTSS provided through home and community-based (HCBS) services, including personal care and self-directed services. If the managed care plan does not cover LTSS services, enter "N/A".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota N/A
D1IV.7h	Resolved appeals related to dental services Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to dental services. If the managed care plan does not cover dental services, enter "N/A".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota N/A

D1IV.7i	Resolved appeals related to non-emergency medical transportation (NEMT) Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to NEMT. If the managed care plan does not cover NEMT, enter "N/A".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 3
D1IV.7j	Resolved appeals related to other service types Enter the total number of appeals resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to services that do not fit into one of the categories listed above. If the managed care plan does not cover services other than those in items D1.IV.7a-i paid primarily by Medicaid, enter "N/A".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota N/A

State Fair Hearings

Number	Indicator	Response
D1IV.8a	State Fair Hearing requests Enter the total number of State Fair Hearing requests filed during the reporting year with the plan that issued an adverse benefit determination.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 3
D1IV.8b	State Fair Hearings resulting in a favorable decision for the enrollee Enter the total number of State Fair Hearing decisions rendered during the reporting year that were partially or fully favorable to the enrollee.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 1
D1IV.8c	State Fair Hearings resulting in an adverse decision for the enrollee Enter the total number of State Fair Hearing decisions rendered during the reporting year that were adverse for the enrollee.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 2
D1IV.8d	State Fair Hearings retracted prior to reaching a decision Enter the total number of State Fair Hearing decisions retracted (by the enrollee or the representative who filed a State Fair Hearing request on behalf of the enrollee) during the reporting year prior to reaching a decision.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 4
D1IV.9a	External Medical Reviews resulting in a favorable decision for the enrollee If your state does offer an external medical review process, enter the total number of external medical review decisions rendered during the reporting year that were partially or fully favorable to the enrollee. If your state does not offer an external medical review process, enter "N/A". External medical review is defined and described at 42 CFR §438.402(c)(i)(B).	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota N/A

D1IV.9b

**External Medical Reviews
resulting in an adverse
decision for the enrollee**

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

N/A

If your state does offer an external medical review process, enter the total number of external medical review decisions rendered during the reporting year that were adverse to the enrollee. If your state does not offer an external medical review process, enter "N/A".

External medical review is defined and described at 42 CFR §438.402(c)(i)(B).

Grievances Overview

Number	Indicator	Response
D1IV.10	Grievances resolved Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year. A grievance is “resolved” when it has reached completion and been closed by the plan.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 23
D1IV.11	Active grievances Enter the total number of grievances still pending or in process (not yet resolved) as of the end of the reporting year.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 1
D1IV.12	Grievances filed on behalf of LTSS users Enter the total number of grievances filed during the reporting year by or on behalf of LTSS users. An LTSS user is an enrollee who received at least one LTSS service at any point during the reporting year (regardless of whether the enrollee was actively receiving LTSS at the time that the grievance was filed). If this does not apply, enter N/A.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota N/A
D1IV.13	Number of critical incidents filed during the reporting period by (or on behalf of) an LTSS user who previously filed a grievance For managed care plans that cover LTSS, enter the number of critical incidents filed within the reporting year by (or on behalf of) LTSS users who previously filed grievances in the reporting year. The grievance and critical incident do not have to have been “related” to the same issue - they only need to have been filed by (or on behalf of) the same enrollee. Neither the	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota N/A

critical incident nor the grievance need to have been filed in relation to delivery of LTSS - they may have been filed for any reason, related to any service received (or desired) by an LTSS user.

If the managed care plan does not cover LTSS, the state should enter "N/A" in this field.

Additionally, if the state already submitted this data for the reporting year via the CMS readiness review appeal and grievance report (because the managed care program or plan were new or serving new populations during the reporting year), and the readiness review tool was submitted for at least 6 months of the reporting year, the state can enter "N/A" in this field.

To calculate this number, states or managed care plans should first identify the LTSS users for whom critical incidents were filed during the reporting year, then determine whether those enrollees had filed a grievance during the reporting year, and whether the filing of the grievance preceded the filing of the critical incident.

D1IV.14	Number of grievances for which timely resolution was provided	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota
	Enter the number of grievances for which timely resolution was provided by plan during the reporting year. See 42 CFR §438.408(b)(1) for requirements related to the timely resolution of grievances.	23

Grievances by Service

Report the number of grievances resolved by plan during the reporting period by service.

Number	Indicator	Response
D1IV.15a	Resolved grievances related to general inpatient services Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to general inpatient care, including diagnostic and laboratory services. Do not include grievances related to inpatient behavioral health services — those should be included in indicator D1.IV.15c. If the managed care plan does not cover this type of service, enter "N/A".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 0
D1IV.15b	Resolved grievances related to general outpatient services Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to general outpatient care, including diagnostic and laboratory services. Do not include grievances related to outpatient behavioral health services — those should be included in indicator D1.IV.15d. If the managed care plan does not cover this type of service, enter "N/A".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 5
D1IV.15c	Resolved grievances related to inpatient behavioral health services Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to inpatient mental health and/or substance use services. If the managed care plan does not cover this type of service, enter "N/A".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 1
D1IV.15d	Resolved grievances related to outpatient behavioral health services Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to outpatient mental health and/or	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 0

substance use services. If the managed care plan does not cover this type of service, enter "N/A".

D1IV.15e	Resolved grievances related to coverage of outpatient prescription drugs Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to outpatient prescription drugs covered by the managed care plan. If the managed care plan does not cover this type of service, enter "N/A".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota N/A
D1IV.15f	Resolved grievances related to skilled nursing facility (SNF) services Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to SNF services. If the managed care plan does not cover this type of service, enter "N/A".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 0
D1IV.15g	Resolved grievances related to long-term services and supports (LTSS) Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to institutional LTSS or LTSS provided through home and community-based (HCBS) services, including personal care and self-directed services. If the managed care plan does not cover this type of service, enter "N/A".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota N/A
D1IV.15h	Resolved grievances related to dental services Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to dental services. If the managed care plan does not cover this type of service, enter "N/A".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota N/A
D1IV.15i	Resolved grievances related to non-emergency medical transportation (NEMT)	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 11

Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to NEMT. If the managed care plan does not cover this type of service, enter "N/A".

D1IV.15j

Resolved grievances related to other service types

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Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to services that do not fit into one of the categories listed above. If the managed care plan does not cover services other than those in items D1.IV.15a-i paid primarily by Medicaid, enter "N/A".

Grievances by Reason

Report the number of grievances resolved by plan during the reporting period by reason.

Number	Indicator	Response
D1IV.16a	<p>Resolved grievances related to plan or provider customer service</p> <p>Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to plan or provider customer service. Customer service grievances include complaints about interactions with the plan's Member Services department, provider offices or facilities, plan marketing agents, or any other plan or provider representatives.</p>	<p>Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota</p> <p>3</p>
D1IV.16b	<p>Resolved grievances related to plan or provider care management/case management</p> <p>Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to plan or provider care management/case management. Care management/case management grievances include complaints about the timeliness of an assessment or complaints about the plan or provider care or case management process.</p>	<p>Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota</p> <p>0</p>

D1IV.16c	Resolved grievances related to access to care/services from plan or provider Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to access to care. Access to care grievances include complaints about difficulties finding qualified in-network providers, excessive travel or wait times, or other access issues.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 5
D1IV.16d	Resolved grievances related to quality of care Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to quality of care. Quality of care grievances include complaints about the effectiveness, efficiency, equity, patient-centeredness, safety, and/or acceptability of care provided by a provider or the plan.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 10
D1IV.16e	Resolved grievances related to plan communications Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to plan communications. Plan communication grievances include grievances related to the clarity or accuracy of enrollee materials or other plan communications or to an enrollee's access to or the accessibility of enrollee materials or plan communications.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 2

D1IV.16f	Resolved grievances related to payment or billing issues Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were filed for a reason related to payment or billing issues.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 0
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D1IV.16g	Resolved grievances related to suspected fraud Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to suspected fraud. Suspected fraud grievances include suspected cases of financial/payment fraud perpetrated by a provider, payer, or other entity. Note: grievances reported in this row should only include grievances submitted to the managed care plan, not grievances submitted to another entity, such as a state Ombudsman or Office of the Inspector General.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 1
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D1IV.16h	Resolved grievances related to abuse, neglect or exploitation Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to abuse, neglect or exploitation. Abuse/neglect/exploitation grievances include cases involving potential or actual patient harm.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 0
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D1IV.16i	Resolved grievances related to lack of timely plan response to a service authorization or appeal (including requests to expedite or extend appeals) Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were filed due to a lack of	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 0
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timely plan response to a service authorization or appeal request (including requests to expedite or extend appeals).

D1IV.16j	Resolved grievances related to plan denial of expedited appeal Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were related to the plan's denial of an enrollee's request for an expedited appeal. Per 42 CFR §438.408(b)(3), states must establish a timeframe for timely resolution of expedited appeals that is no longer than 72 hours after the MCO, PIHP or PAHP receives the appeal. If a plan denies a request for an expedited appeal, the enrollee or their representative have the right to file a grievance.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 0
D1IV.16k	Resolved grievances filed for other reasons Enter the total number of grievances resolved by the plan during the reporting year that were filed for a reason other than the reasons listed above.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 3

Topic VII: Quality & Performance Measures

Report on individual measures in each of the following eight domains: (1) Primary care access and preventive care, (2) Maternal and perinatal health, (3) Care of acute and chronic conditions, (4) Behavioral health care, (5) Dental and oral health services, (6) Health plan enrollee experience of care, (7) Long-term services and supports, and (8) Other. For composite measures, be sure to include each individual sub-measure component.



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Cervical Cancer Screening

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D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Primary care access and preventative care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

0032

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Not Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Chlamydia Screening in Women ages 21 to 24 2 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Primary care access and preventative care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

0033

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Not Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Colorectal Cancer Screening

3 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Primary care access and preventative care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

0034

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Not Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Breast Cancer Screening

4 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Primary care access and preventative care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

2372

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Not Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Controlling High Blood Pressure

5 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Care of acute and chronic conditions

**D2.VII.3 National Quality
Forum (NQF) number**

0018

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

**D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting
period: Date range**

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Not Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment for Acute Bronchitis / Bronchiolitis: Age 21 and Older

6 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Care of acute and chronic conditions

**D2.VII.3 National Quality
Forum (NQF) number**

0058

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

**D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting
period: Date range**

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Partially Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Hemoglobin A1c Control for Patients with Diabetes

7 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Care of acute and chronic conditions

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

0059

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Not Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Diabetes Short Term Complications Admission Rate 8 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Care of acute and chronic conditions

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

0272

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Not Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: COPD or Asthma in Older Adults Admission Rate

9 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Care of acute and chronic conditions

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

0275

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Heart Failure Admission Rate

10 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Care of acute and chronic conditions

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

0277

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Partially Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Asthma in Younger Adults Admission Rate

11 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Care of acute and chronic conditions

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

0283

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Plan All Cause Readmission

12 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Care of acute and chronic conditions

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

1768

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Partially Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: HIV Viral Load Suppression

13 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Care of acute and chronic conditions

**D2.VII.3 National Quality
Forum (NQF) number**

2082

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

**D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting
period: Date range**

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

No national benchmarks for this measure

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

No national benchmarks for this measure



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Use of Opioids at High Dosage in Persons Without Cancer

14 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Care of acute and chronic conditions

**D2.VII.3 National Quality
Forum (NQF) number**

2940

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

**D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting
period: Date range**

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Zero denominator



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Concurrent Use of Opioids and Benzodiazepines

15 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Care of acute and chronic conditions

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

3389

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Initiation and Engagement of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse or Dependence Treatment

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D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Behavioral health care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

0004

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Medical Assistance with Smoking and Tobacco Use Cessation 17 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Behavioral health care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

0027

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Not Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Antidepressant Medication Management 18 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Behavioral health care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

0105

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Screening for Depression and Follow-Up Plan: 19 / 27 Age 21 and Older

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Behavioral health care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

0418

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

No national benchmarks for this measure

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

No national benchmarks for this measure



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness: Age 21 and Older 20 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Behavioral health care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

0576

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Not Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Diabetes Screening for People with Schizophrenia or Bipolar Disorder Who are Using Antipsychotic Medications

21 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Behavioral health care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

1932

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Partially Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Diabetes Care for People with Serious Mental Illness: HbA1c Poor Control (>9.0%) 22 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Behavioral health care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

2607

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Partially Met



D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Use of Pharmacotherapy for Opioid Use Disorder

23 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Behavioral health care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

3400

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Partially Met



D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Follow-Up after Emergency Department Visit for Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse or Dependence

24 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Behavioral health care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

3488

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Follow-Up after Emergency Department Visit for Mental Illness 25 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Behavioral health care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

3489

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Partially Met



Complete

D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Adherence to Antipsychotic Medications for Individuals with Schizophrenia 26 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Behavioral health care

D2.VII.3 National Quality Forum (NQF) number

N/A***

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting period: Date range

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Not Met



Complete

**D2.VII.1 Measure Name: Consumer Assessment of Healthcarw
Providers and Systems (CAHPS) Health Plan Survey 5.1H, Adult Version
(Medicaid)**

27 / 27

D2.VII.2 Measure Domain

Health plan enrollee experience of care

**D2.VII.3 National Quality
Forum (NQF) number**

0006

D2.VII.4 Measure Reporting and D2.VII.5 Programs

Program-specific rate

D2.VII.6 Measure Set

Medicaid Adult Core Set

**D2.VII.7a Reporting Period and D2.VII.7b Reporting
period: Date range**

Yes

D2.VII.8 Measure Description

N/A

Measure results

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Met

Topic VIII. Sanctions

Describe sanctions that the state has issued for each plan. Report all known actions across the following domains: sanctions, administrative penalties, corrective action plans, other. Include any pending or unresolved actions.

42 CFR 438.66(e)(2)(viii) specifies that the MCPAR include the results of any sanctions or corrective action plans imposed by the State or other formal or informal intervention with a contracted MCO, PIHP, PAHP, or PCCM entity to improve performance.



Complete

D3.VIII.1 Intervention type: Liquidated damages

1 / 1

D3.VIII.2 Plan performance issue

Reporting

D3.VIII.3 Plan name

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

D3.VIII.4 Reason for intervention

Failure to obtain prior written approval from State for all Enrollee and Marketing materials for potential or current enrollees.

Sanction details

D3.VIII.5 Instances of non-compliance

1

D3.VIII.6 Sanction amount

\$5,000

D3.VIII.7 Date assessed

08/07/2024

D3.VIII.8 Remediation date non-compliance was corrected

Yes, remediated 08/21/2024

D3.VIII.9 Corrective action plan

Yes

Topic X. Program Integrity

Number	Indicator	Response
D1X.1	Dedicated program integrity staff Report or enter the number of dedicated program integrity staff for routine internal monitoring and compliance risks. Refer to 42 CFR 438.608(a)(1)(vii).	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 1.25
D1X.2	Count of opened program integrity investigations How many program integrity investigations were opened by the plan during the reporting year?	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 21
D1X.3	Ratio of opened program integrity investigations to enrollees What is the ratio of program integrity investigations opened by the plan in the past year to the average number of individuals enrolled in the plan per month during the reporting year (i.e., average member months)? Express this as a ratio per 1,000 beneficiaries.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 0.81:1,000
D1X.4	Count of resolved program integrity investigations How many program integrity investigations were resolved by the plan during the reporting year?	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 30
D1X.5	Ratio of resolved program integrity investigations to enrollees What is the ratio of program integrity investigations resolved by the plan in the past year to the average number of individuals enrolled in the plan per month during the reporting year (i.e., average member months)? Express this as a ratio per 1,000 beneficiaries.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 1.15:1,000

D1X.6	Referral path for program integrity referrals to the state What is the referral path that the plan uses to make program integrity referrals to the state? Select one.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota Makes referrals to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) only
D1X.7	Count of program integrity referrals to the state Enter the total number of program integrity referrals made during the reporting year.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 21
D1X.8	Ratio of program integrity referral to the state What is the ratio of program integrity referrals listed in indicator D1.X.7 made to the state during the reporting year to the number of enrollees? For number of enrollees, use the average number of individuals enrolled in the plan per month during the reporting year (reported in indicator D1.I.1). Express this as a ratio per 1,000 beneficiaries.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 0.81:1,000
D1X.9a:	Plan overpayment reporting to the state: Start Date What is the start date of the reporting period covered by the plan's latest overpayment recovery report submitted to the state?	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 01/01/2023
D1X.9b:	Plan overpayment reporting to the state: End Date What is the end date of the reporting period covered by the plan's latest overpayment recovery report submitted to the state?	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota 12/31/2023
D1X.9c:	Plan overpayment reporting to the state: Dollar amount From the plan's latest annual overpayment recovery report, what is the total amount of overpayments recovered?	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota \$32,286,806.35
D1X.9d:	Plan overpayment reporting to the state: Corresponding	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

premium revenue

\$388,291,589.53

What is the total amount of premium revenue for the corresponding reporting period (D1.X.9a-b)? (Premium revenue as defined in MLR reporting under 438.8(f)(2))

D1X.10

Changes in beneficiary circumstances

Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota

Daily

Select the frequency the plan reports changes in beneficiary circumstances to the state.

Topic XI: ILOS



Beginning December 2025, this section must be completed by states that authorize ILOS. Submission of this data before December 2025 is optional.

If ILOSs are authorized for this program, report for each plan: if the plan offered any ILOS; if “Yes”, which ILOS the plan offered; and utilization data for each ILOS offered. If the plan offered an ILOS during the reporting period but there was no utilization, check that the ILOS was offered but enter “0” for utilization.

Number	Indicator	Response
D4XI.1	ILOSs offered by plan Indicate whether this plan offered any ILOS to their enrollees.	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota Yes, at least 1 ILOS is offered by this plan
D4XI.2a	ILOSs utilization by plan Select all ILOSs offered by this plan during the contract rating period. For each ILOS offered by the plan, enter the deduplicated number of enrollees that utilized this ILOS during the contract rating period. If the plan offered this ILOS during the contract rating period but there was no utilization, enter "0".	Blue Cross Blue Shield North Dakota American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) 3.2 Clinical Withdrawal Management: Crisis Stabilization Services: Mobile Crisis: Peer Support:

Topic XIII. Prior Authorization

⚠ Beginning June 2026, Indicators D1.XIII.1-15 must be completed. Submission of this data including partial reporting on some but not all plans, before June 2026 is optional; if you choose not to respond prior to June 2026, select "Not reporting data".

Number	Indicator	Response
N/A	Are you reporting data prior to June 2026? If "Yes", please complete the following questions under each plan.	Not reporting data

Topic XIV. Patient Access API Usage

⚠ Beginning June 2026, Indicators D1.XIV.1-2 must be completed. Submission of this data before June 2026 is optional; if you choose not to respond prior to June 2026, select “Not reporting data”.

Number	Indicator	Response
N/A	Are you reporting data prior to June 2026? If “Yes”, please complete the following questions under each plan.	Not reporting data

Section E: BSS Entity Indicators

Topic IX. Beneficiary Support System (BSS) Entities

Per 42 CFR 438.66(e)(2)(ix), the Managed Care Program Annual Report must provide information on and an assessment of the operation of the managed care program including activities and performance of the beneficiary support system. Information on how BSS entities support program-level functions is on the Program-Level BSS page.

Number	Indicator	Response
EIX.1	BSS entity type What type of entity performed each BSS activity? Check all that apply. Refer to 42 CFR 438.71(b).	State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)
EIX.2	BSS entity role What are the roles performed by the BSS entity? Check all that apply. Refer to 42 CFR 438.71(b).	State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) Enrollment Broker/Choice Counseling