



Copayments for Medicaid Services

As an Alabama Medicaid recipient, you may be asked to pay a small part of the cost for some medical services. This is known as a **copayment**. Alabama Medicaid will cover the rest of the cost. Providers cannot charge any additional amount other than the copayment for Medicaid-covered services.

Copayment amounts by service:

| Service | Copayment Amount |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Doctor visits | \$1.30 to \$3.90 per visit |
| Optometric (eye care) services | \$1.30 to \$3.90 per visit |
| Certified nurse practitioner visits | \$1.30 to \$3.90 per visit |
| Health care center visits | \$3.90 per visit |
| Rural health clinic visits | \$3.90 per visit |
| Inpatient hospital | \$50 per admission |
| Outpatient hospital | \$3.90 per visit |
| Prescription drugs | 65¢ to \$3.90 per prescription |
| Medical equipment | \$1.30 to \$3.90 per item |
| Supplies and appliances | 65¢ to \$3.90 per item |
| Ambulatory surgical centers | \$3.90 per visit |

You **do not** have to pay a copayment if you are a Medicaid recipient who is:

- In a nursing home
- 18 years of age or younger
- Receiving pregnancy-related services
- Receiving family planning services
- A Native American Indian with an active user letter from Indian Health Services (IHS)

Services that **do not** require a copayment:

- Birth control (family planning) services
- Case management services
- Chemotherapy
- Dental services for recipients under 21 years of age
- Doctor fees for surgeries performed in a doctor's office
- Doctor visits in a hospital or nursing home
- Emergency services
- Home and community services for the intellectually disabled, elderly, and physically disabled
- Home health care services
- Mental health and substance use disorder treatment services
- Preventive health education services
- Physical therapy in a hospital outpatient setting
- Radiation treatments
- Renal dialysis treatments