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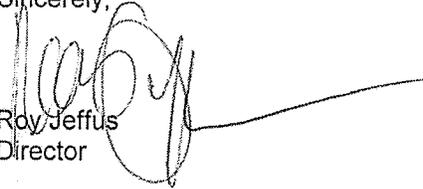
The Honorable Hank Wilkins, IV, Co-Chairman  
The Honorable Allen Maxwell, Co-Chairman  
Arkansas Legislative Council  
State Capitol Building, Room 315  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Wilkins and Representative Maxwell:

Submitted herewith is the Medicaid Report for the 3rd quarter of SFY 2009 as required by A.C.A. Section 20-77-111. This report presents Medicaid data for the quarter January 1, 2009, through March 31, 2009.

If you have any questions regarding utilization and expenditure data, please contact Sharon Jordan, Chief Program Administrator, at 682-8489.

Sincerely,



Roy Jeffus  
Director

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Attachment

cc: Keith Gober, Analyst, Bureau of Legislative Research  
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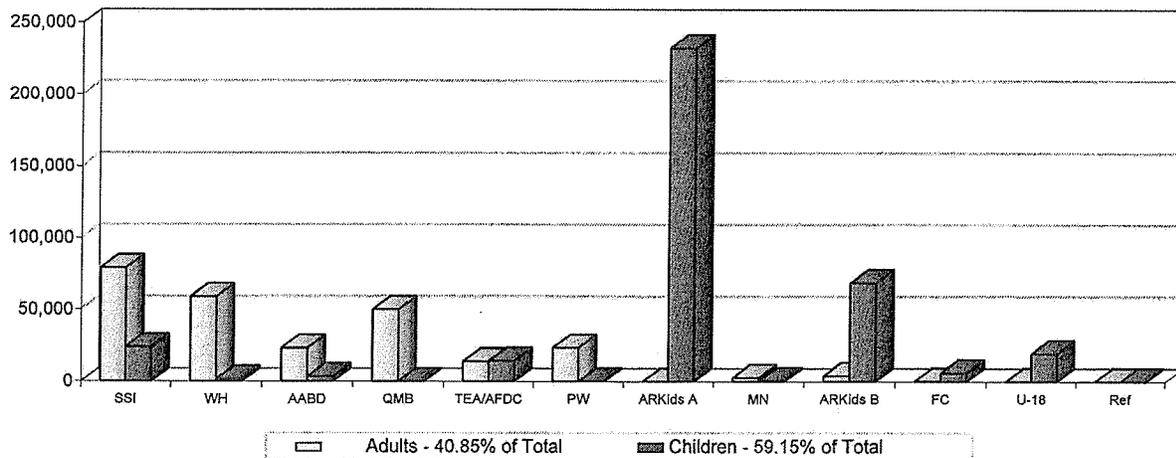
**MEDICAID QUARTERLY REPORT  
MEDICAID ELIGIBLES AND RECIPIENTS  
THIRD QUARTER - SFY 2009**

**Eligibles and Recipients by Month**

|          | SFY09     |            | Recipients as  |
|----------|-----------|------------|----------------|
|          | Eligibles | Recipients | % of Eligibles |
| January  | 621,954   | 352,320    | 56.65%         |
| February | 627,410   | 349,748    | 55.74%         |
| March    | 632,122   | 364,395    | 57.65%         |

|          | SFY08     |            | Recipients as  |
|----------|-----------|------------|----------------|
|          | Eligibles | Recipients | % of Eligibles |
| January  | 638,352   | 353,974    | 55.45%         |
| February | 635,251   | 351,287    | 55.30%         |
| March    | 632,005   | 341,030    | 53.96%         |

**Average Number of Eligibles Per Month (3rd Quarter SFY09)  
by Aid Category, Adults and Children (including ARKids First and CHIP)**



**Eligibles (Adults and Children) by Aid Category**

(Average for January, February, March 2009)

|          |                                     | Adults | Children | All     |
|----------|-------------------------------------|--------|----------|---------|
| SSI      | Supplemental Security Income        | 79,140 | 23,984   | 103,124 |
| WH       | Women's Health Waiver               | 59,207 | 1,513    | 60,720  |
| AABD     | Aid to the Aged, Blind and Disabled | 23,446 | 3,499    | 26,945  |
| QMB      | Qualified Medicare Beneficiary      | 49,945 | 13       | 49,958  |
| TEA/AFDC | Transitional Employment Assistance  | 13,938 | 14,375   | 28,313  |
| PW       | Pregnant Women                      | 23,633 | 0        | 23,633  |
| ARKids A | Low-Income Children                 | 0      | 232,535  | 232,535 |
| MN       | Medically Needy                     | 2,712  | 532      | 3,244   |
| ARKids B | ARKids First Waiver                 | 3,987  | 68,795   | 72,782  |
| FC       | Foster Care                         | 207    | 6,093    | 6,300   |
| U-18     | Under Age 18                        | 1      | 19,604   | 19,605  |
| Ref      | Refugee                             | 4      | 0        | 4       |

|  |                |                |                |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Total Average Eligibles - 3rd Qtr SFY 2009:</b>       | <b>256,220</b> | <b>370,942</b> | <b>627,162</b> |
| <b>Total Average Eligibles - 3rd Qtr SFY 2008:</b>       | <b>261,043</b> | <b>374,159</b> | <b>635,202</b> |
| <b>Percentage of Increase from SFY 2008 to SFY 2009:</b> | <b>-1.85%</b>  | <b>-0.86%</b>  | <b>-1.27%</b>  |

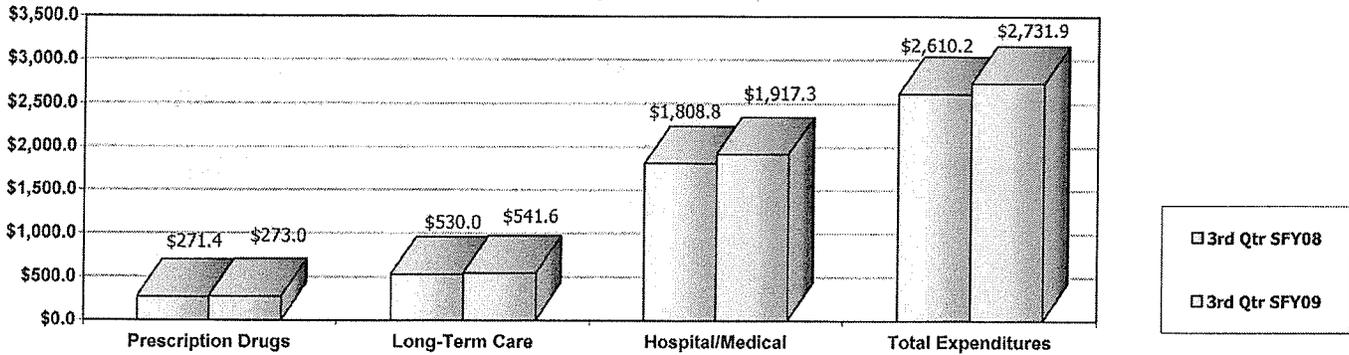
**Explanation of Monthly Recipient Counts:** Recipient counts include individuals who actually received services. Individuals for whom there was a managed care fee claim as part of the Primary Care Provider (Connect Care) Program, but for whom there was no actual medical service, are not counted.

Source: ACES Report IM-2414

**MEDICAID QUARTERLY REPORT  
PROGRAM EXPENDITURE DATA - VENDOR PAYMENTS  
THIRD QUARTER - SFY 2009**

**Expenditure Comparison by Appropriation**

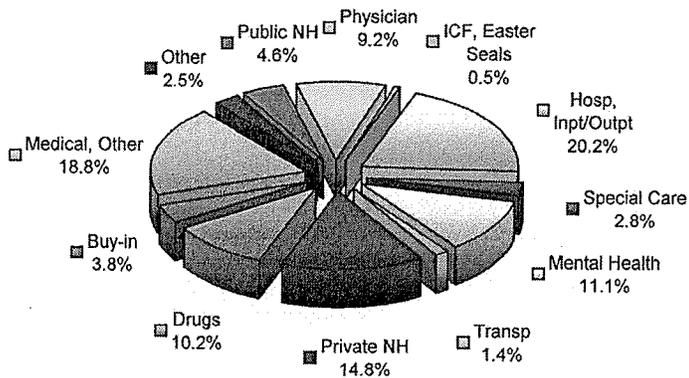
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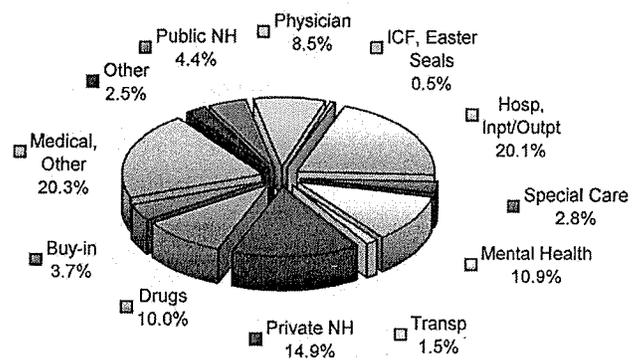
**YTD Amounts**

|                   | Hospital/<br>Medical | Drugs  | Long Term<br>Care | ARKids<br>First | Medical<br>Expansion | TOTAL  |
|-------------------|----------------------|--------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------|
| % of Budget Spent | 98.56%               | 93.75% | 98.85%            | 86.55%          | 80.17%               | 97.63% |
| Growth Over SFY08 | 5.94%                | 1.08%  | 2.19%             | 1.66%           | 16.89%               | 4.67%  |

**Total Medicaid Expenditures  
SFY 2008**



**Total Medicaid Expenditures  
Q3 YTD SFY 2009**



|  |               |
|--|---------------|
| Actual Trust Fund Usage SFY08:                             | \$69,215,170  |
| Actual Trust Fund Usage this Quarter:                      | \$0           |
| Actual Trust Funds Usage Year-to-Date SFY09:               | \$0           |
| SFY09 Projected Trust Fund Usage per 7/1 Operating Budget: | \$155,818,800 |
| SFY09 Revised Projected Trust Fund Usage due to Stimulus:  | \$0           |

Source: DHS, DAS, Quarterly Payout Reports

**MEDICAID POLICY CHANGES  
JANUARY – MARCH 2009**

**Effective Date**

2-23-09

**Description of Policy Change**

J1300 "Injection, eculizumab, 10mg" is covered in the Hospital and Physician manual for all ages by Medicaid to treatment paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria. It requires a primary diagnosis of ICD-9 diagnosis code 283.2 and is billable electronically and on paper.

## **MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY CHANGES JANUARY – MARCH 2009**

Appendix S (SSI and Quarters of Coverage Charts) has been updated with the 2009 income amounts which became effective 1/1/09. (See attached)

MS 09-02 was issued 1/13/09 deleting the clinical service, annual post sterilizations follow-up visit. This is no longer a covered service under the Family Planning Waiver.

MS 09-04 was issued 1/16/09 explaining the Adult Family Home has been added to ElderChoices replacing Adult Foster Care. If an ElderChoices recipient participates in this service, the recipient will be required to contribute to the cost of care. A patient liability amount will be calculated according to the procedures in the Assisted Living Facilities Waiver policy (MS 26230) which provides the allowable deductions that may be subtracted from gross income.

MS PD 09-07 issued 3/2/09 effective 3/4/09, families statewide will be able to apply for ARKids online via a web based application through Access Arkansas on the DHS website. ARKids was selected to be the first online application because of its simplicity: applicants are not required to have a face-to-face interview, income is declared and there is no resource test. A centralized processing unit housed in Phillips County will receive and process all online ARKids applications. Once approved, the family's resident county will be responsible for processing changes, reevaluations, etc as for any other ARKids case.

MS PD 09-08 issued 3/9/09 the AAPD Waiver has been amended to include the Working Disabled category as a group that is eligible for services within the waiver. In order to be eligible for the AAPD Waiver services and the Working Disabled category, applicants must meet both the medical criteria of the AAPD Waiver program and the financial criteria of the Working Disabled category.

**SSI Chart and Quarters of Coverage Chart**

|   |            |                         |
|---|------------|-------------------------|
| Long Term Care (LTC), TEFRA,<br>Home & Community Based Waiver                                   | Individual | \$2,022.00<br>per month |
| SSI/SPA   | Individual | \$674.00                |
|   | Couple     | \$1,011.00              |
| 1/3 Reduction for Living in the Household<br>of Another   | Individual | \$449.33                |
|   | Couple     | \$674.00                |
| In-Kind Support   | Individual | \$244.66                |
|   | Couple     | \$357.00                |
| Living Allowance for Ineligible Spouse or Child   | Individual | \$337.00                |
| Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA) for Disability<br>Substantial Gainful Activity for Blindness | Individual | \$980.00                |
|   | Individual | \$1,640.00              |
| Assisted Living Facility Waiver Room and Board  | Individual | \$612.00                |
| Assisted Living Facility Waiver Personal Allowance  | Individual | \$61.00                 |
| Student Earned Income Exclusion   | Monthly    | \$1,640                 |
|   | Annual     | \$6,600                 |

**Amount Needed to Earn a Qualifying Quarter**

| Year | Earnings Needed<br>for One Credit | Year | Earnings Needed for<br>One Credit |
|------|-----------------------------------|------|-----------------------------------|
| 1978 | \$250                             | 1994 | \$620                             |
| 1979 | \$260                             | 1995 | \$630                             |
| 1980 | \$290                             | 1996 | \$640                             |
| 1981 | \$310                             | 1997 | \$670                             |
| 1982 | \$340                             | 1998 | \$700                             |
| 1983 | \$370                             | 1999 | \$740                             |
| 1984 | \$390                             | 2000 | \$780                             |
| 1985 | \$410                             | 2001 | \$830                             |
| 1986 | \$440                             | 2002 | \$879                             |
| 1987 | \$460                             | 2003 | \$890                             |
| 1988 | \$470                             | 2004 | \$900                             |
| 1989 | \$500                             | 2005 | \$920                             |
| 1990 | \$520                             | 2006 | \$970                             |
| 1991 | \$540                             | 2007 | \$1000                            |
| 1992 | \$570                             | 2008 | \$1050                            |
| 1993 | \$590                             | 2009 | \$1090                            |