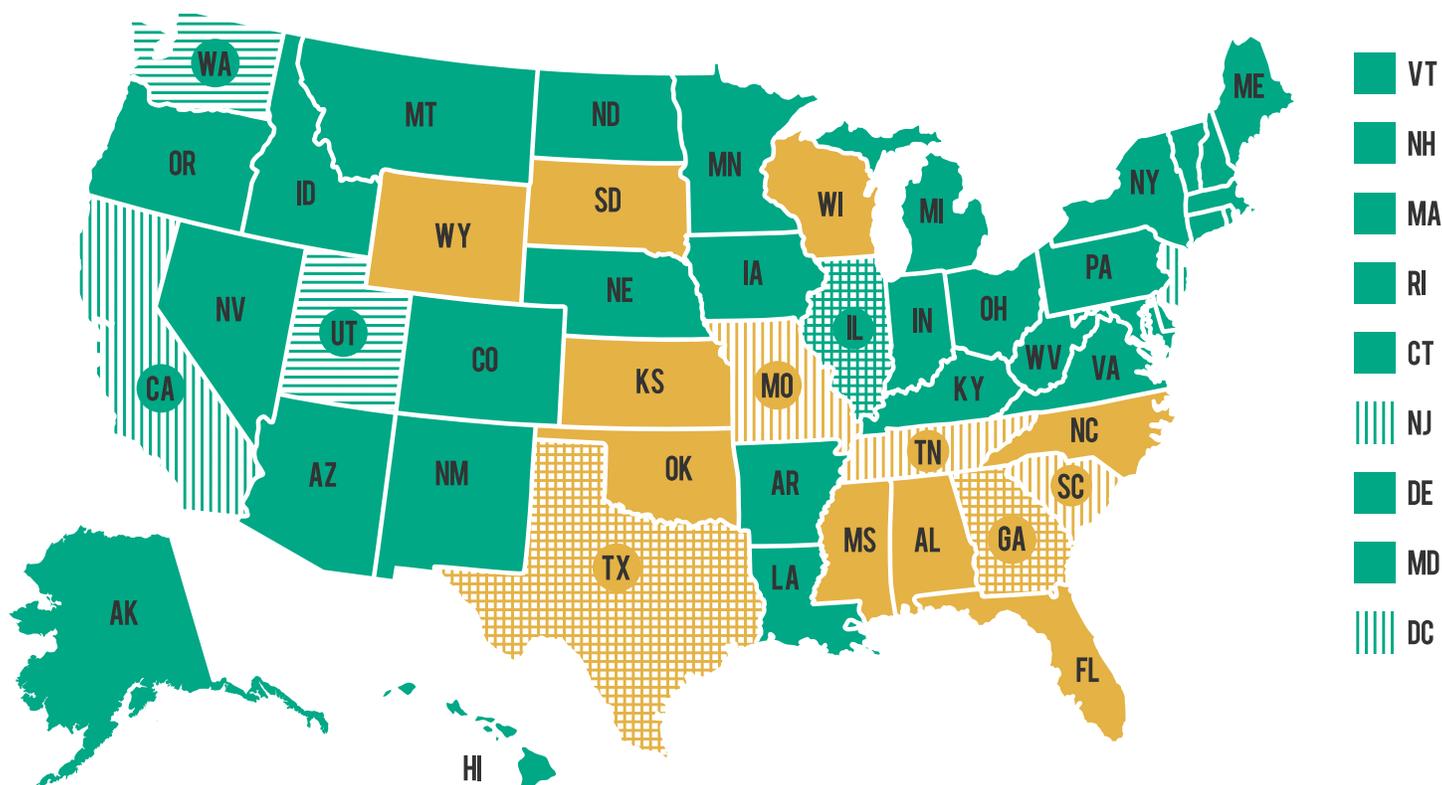


State Efforts to Extend Medicaid Coverage for Pregnant Women Beyond 60 Days Postpartum

(as of November 6, 2019)

This map demonstrates recent state action to extend Medicaid coverage for pregnant women beyond 60 days after the end of pregnancy. For pregnant women, Medicaid coverage is time-limited. Federal law requires states to provide postpartum coverage for 60 days after delivery. Once postpartum coverage ends, many women enter a period of uninsurance. This applies to women in states that expanded Medicaid coverage under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and states that did not. Nearly half of women in ACA non-Medicaid expansion states and nearly one in three women in ACA Medicaid expansion states experience an insurance disruption from prepregnancy to postpartum.¹ This is especially concerning given that one in three pregnancy-related deaths occur in the postpartum period.² Giving pregnant women continuous Medicaid coverage for at least one year postpartum can help improve maternal health outcomes.



Map Key	
<p>12 Months Postpartum</p> <p>Vertical Stripes = States with legislative/regulatory action in 2019</p> <p>Horizontal Stripes = States with an MMRC recommendation to extend coverage beyond 60 days postpartum</p> <p>Cross Hatching = States with both legislative/regulatory action in 2019 and MMRC recommendation to extend coverage beyond 60 days postpartum</p>	<p>ACA Medicaid Expansion</p> <p>Green = Medicaid expansion adopted</p> <p>Gold = Medicaid expansion not adopted</p>

For more information on actions you can take to extend Medicaid coverage in your state, contact ACOG at stateleg@acog.org and follow @ACOGaction.

Methodology: To be included on this map, states must have taken legislative and/or regulatory action in 2019 to extend Medicaid coverage for pregnant women beyond 60 days postpartum. This may include introducing and/or passing legislation, drafting/submitting a Section 1115 Waiver, or releasing budget details. The information on this map will be updated monthly. If you feel action in your state has been misrepresented, please email stateleg@acog.org.

¹High Rates of Perinatal Insurance Churn Persist After The ACA, Health Affairs Blog, September 16, 2019. DOI: 10.1377/hblog20190913.387157

²Petersen EE, Davis NL, Goodman D, et al. Vital Signs: Pregnancy-Related Deaths, United States, 2011–2015, and Strategies for Prevention, 13 States, 2013–2017. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep 2019;68:423–429.