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Wisconsin's Vision and Commitment

- Ensure that every resident has access to health insurance, create a Medicaid program that is sustainable, reduce reliance upon government health insurance, and maintain the health care safety net for those who need it most.
- Reduce the number of uninsured non-elderly adults in our state and encourage consumers to be active participants in their health care.
- Simplify the Medicaid program by providing a standard set of comprehensive benefits that will lead to improved healthcare outcomes.



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Wisconsin's Health Care Coverage Goals

- Ensure every Wisconsin resident has access to affordable health care coverage and reduce the state's uninsured rate.
- Provide a standard set of health care benefits for low-income individuals that will lead to:
 - Increased access to health care;
 - Improved health care outcomes; and
 - A healthier Wisconsin.



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BadgerCare Reform Waiver: Goals

- Increase member participation in their health care.
- Improve health care outcomes.
- Improve the cost-effectiveness of Medicaid services by providing the right services to the right person at the right time in the most appropriate health care setting.

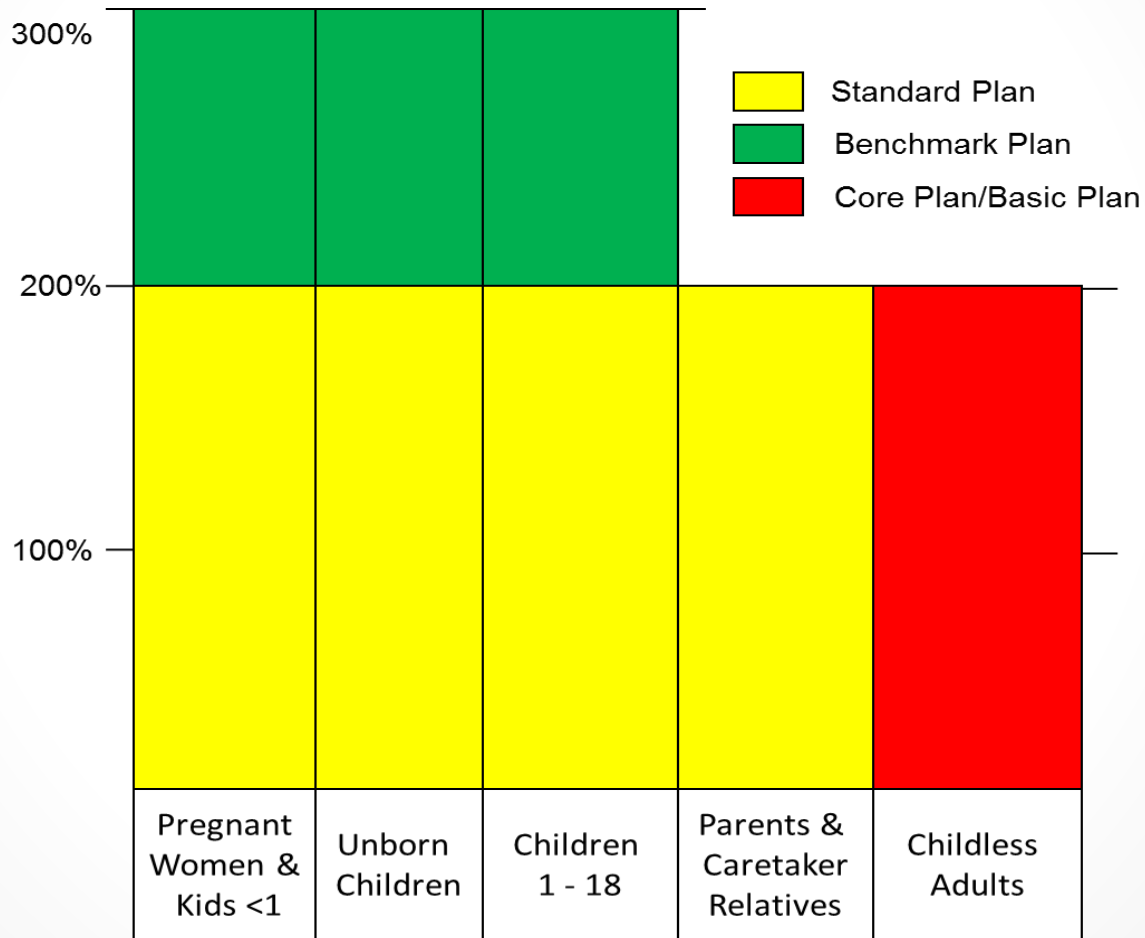


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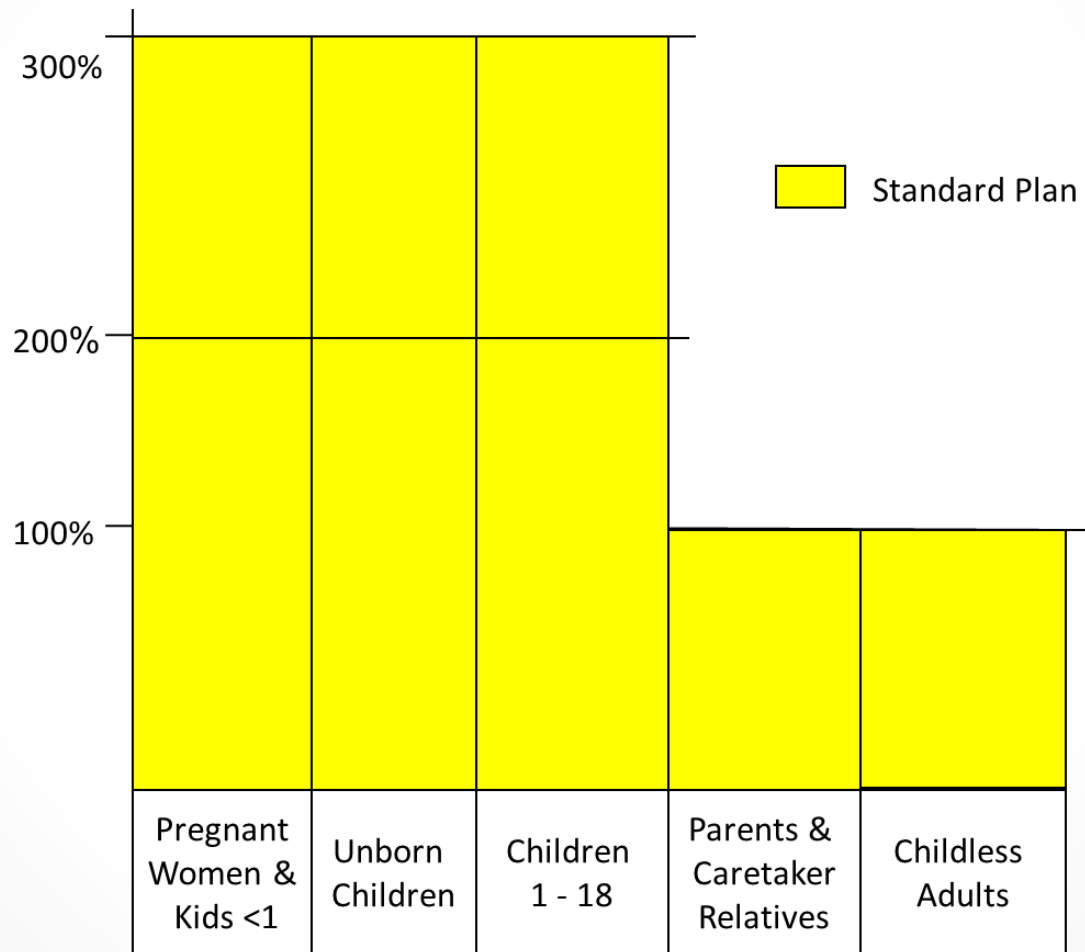
BadgerCare Reform Waiver: Program Changes

- Provide health care coverage to childless adults living in poverty.
- Provide Standard Plan benefits to all BadgerCare Plus members.
 - Eliminate the Benchmark and Core Plans.
 - More services are covered under the Standard Plan than the Benchmark and Core Plan.
 - Services include:
 - Additional outpatient mental health and substance abuse services;
 - Dental Services;
 - Medical transportation to and from a covered service;
 - Generic and brand name prescription drugs and some over-the-counter drugs.

Wisconsin Medicaid Eligibility Pre-April 2014



Wisconsin Medicaid Eligibility Post-Budget Reform



Outreach

- In late September 2013 – April 2014, WI DHS sent out informational letters notifying current members and individuals on the BadgerCare Plus Core Plan Wait list about changes.
- The Department made phone calls to households to ensure the letter was received and the information was understood.
- Focused outreach efforts on a sustained grass roots campaign – creating 11 regional networks.
- Continued efforts today to provide affordable health care in Wisconsin.

January 2016 Wisconsin Medicaid Enrollment

Eligibility Category	January 2016 Enrollment Numbers
• Parents/Caregivers	• 151,785
• Pregnant Women	• 18,998
• Childless Adults	• 147,825
• Total Overall Enrollment (Children and Adults)	• 802,491



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Questions?

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