



Top Ten Health Transformation Initiatives in the Budget

(House Bill 64 effective July 1, 2015)

Modernize Medicaid

1. Holds per member per month cost growth below 3 percent over two years.
2. Preserves Medicaid coverage for children and pregnant women up to 200 percent of poverty and everyone else up to 138 percent of poverty.
3. Speeds up the transition off of Medicaid and requires the Ohio Department of Medicaid to seek a federal waiver to implement Health Savings Accounts.
4. Targets resources to reduce infant mortality in the most at-risk neighborhoods.

Prioritize Home and Community Based Services

5. Invests \$286 million over two years to increase opportunities for Ohioans with developmental disabilities to live and work in the community.
6. Modernizes the Medicaid mental health and substance abuse benefits and improves care coordination through managed behavioral health care.
7. Increases access to affordable housing as a strategy to avoid unnecessary institutional placements.
8. Provides “no wrong door” entry into long-term services and supports.

Streamline Health and Human Services

9. Transitions all income-tested programs to the *Ohio Benefits* eligibility system.
10. Replaces Ohio's two duplicative disability determination systems with one.