Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission

The **Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission** (**MACPAC**) is an independent, non-partisan legislative branch agency headquartered in [Washington, D.C.](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Washington,_D.C.) MACPAC was established by the [Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act](https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Children%27s_Health_Insurance_Program_Reauthorization_Act_of_2009/Title_VI) (CHIPRA) of 2009 and funded through [the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act](https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Patient_Protection_and_Affordable_Care_Act) (PPACA) in March 2010. The Commission’s statutory charge requires that the Commission review and advise the Congress on federal and state Medicaid and CHIP policies on issues involving payment; access; eligibility; enrollment and retention, coverage; quality; and interactions of Medicaid and CHIP with Medicare and other components of the U.S. health care delivery system.

The commission's 17 members bring diverse expertise in the financing and delivery of health care services. Commissioners are appointed to three-year terms (subject to renewal) by the [Comptroller General of the United States](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Comptroller_General_of_the_United_States) and serve part-time. Its primary role is to advise the [US Congress](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States_Congress) on issues affecting the administration of the [Medicaid](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Medicaid)and [CHIP](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Children%27s_Health_Insurance_Program) programs.

As part of its statutory requirement, MACPAC produces two major reports to the [United States Congress](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States_Congress) each year that contain recommendations to improve Medicaid and CHIP.[1] For example, its June 2022 report to Congress, “A New Medicaid Access Monitoring System” made several recommendations to “create a new and more robust system for monitoring access to care for Medicaid beneficiaries that would allow for comparisons across states and delivery systems.”[2][3]

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| **Abbreviation** | MACPAC |
| **Type** | independent |
| **Location** | * [Washington, D.C.](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Washington,_D.C.) |
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See Also:

* [MedPAC](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Medicare_Payment_Advisory_Commission)
* [Accountable care organization](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Accountable_care_organization" \o "Accountable care organization)
* [Independent Payment Advisory Board](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Independent_Payment_Advisory_Board)
* [Specialty Society Relative Value Scale Update Committee](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Specialty_Society_Relative_Value_Scale_Update_Committee) (or Relative Value Update Committee; RUC)

References

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(LINK) Official MACPAC website