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# Medicaid HCBS Programs and Policies Data and Trends

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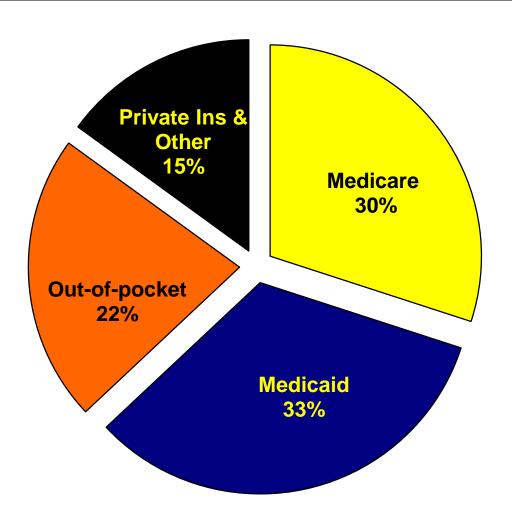
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## Total US Long-Term Support & Services (LTSS) Expenditures, 2012 \$229.3 billion



### **Medicaid HCBS Policy Issues**

- 1. State & federal budget cutbacks, esp among discretionary spending
- 2. Continued demands of institutional provision
- 3. Consumer preferences
- 4. Legal pressures- Americans with Disabilities Act (1990) & the Olmstead decision (1999).
- 5. Litigation against states
- 6. Legislation including Deficit Reduction Act and Affordable Care Act
- 7. Program initiatives such as Money Follows the Person and HCBS State Plan Option
- 8. New HCBS Settings Rule

## **Study Aims & Method**

#### **Aims**

- Examine trends in participation & expenditure on Medicaid HCBS programs
- Examine state HCBS policies
- Excludes ACA programs and MLTSS

#### **Method**

- 1. CMS Form 372 reports for HCBS waivers (n = 291 in 2011)
- 2. State Survey of Medicaid State Plan Personal Care (PCS) Optional Benefit (n = 32)
- 3. State Survey of Medicaid Home Health (n=51)

### **Medicaid HCBS Programs**

Personal Care optional benefit (UCSF Annual Survey)

- Optional, actively available in 32 states (2011)
- Must be statewide, available to Medicaid categorically eligible groups

**Home Health (UCSF Annual Survey)** 

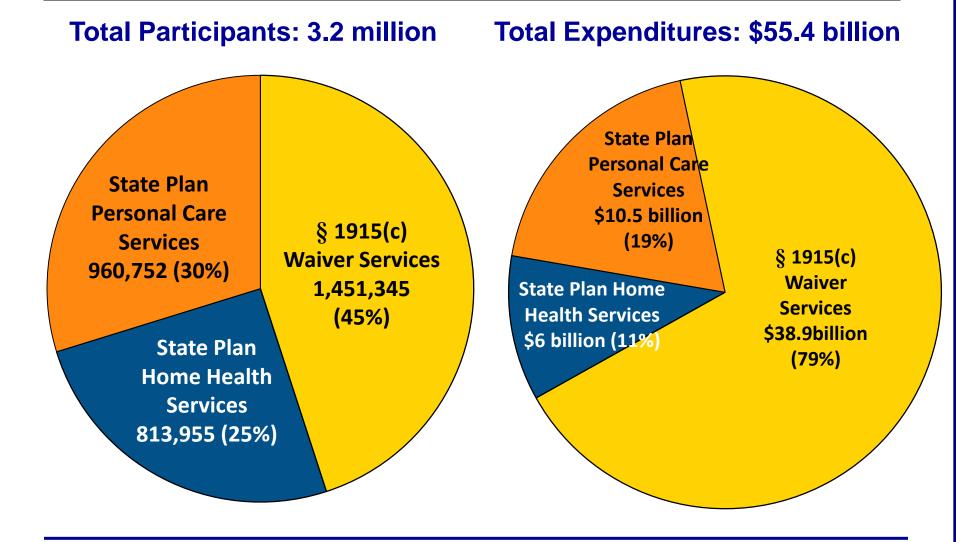
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### **Medicaid HCBS Waivers**

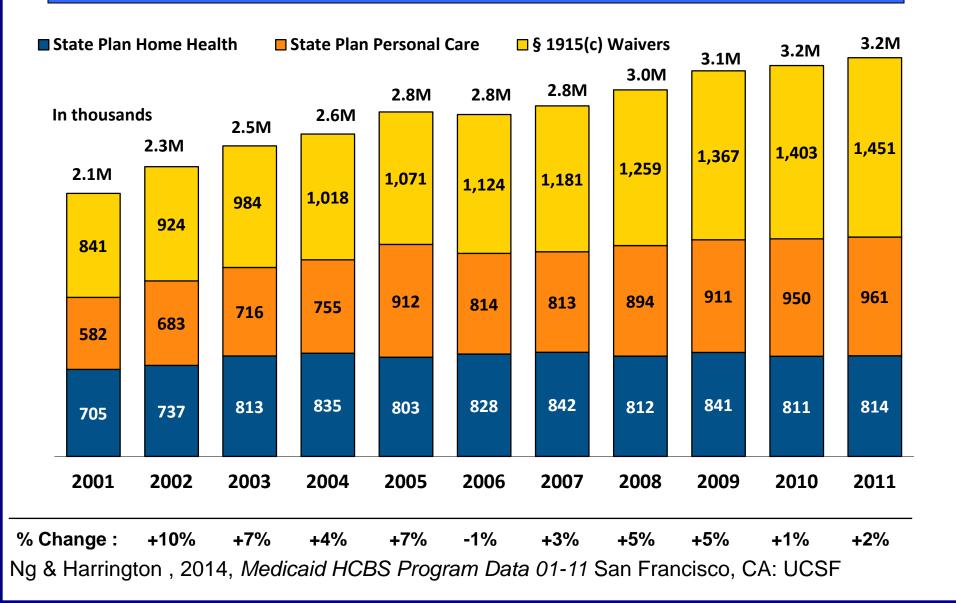
#### HCBS 1915(c) waivers (CMS Form 372 Reports)

- In 2011, 47 states & DC offer 291 waivers (AZ, RI & VT use statewide 1115 managed care waiver, 6 other states have partial 1115 waivers)
- Optional program provides range of HCBS and may include personal care
- Must be targeted to selected recipient groups (up to 14 waivers in some states)
- Must be nursing home eligible
- Financial & medical eligibility vary across states
- Slots, geography & expenditures can be limited
- Must be cost neutral
- Waiting lists can be established

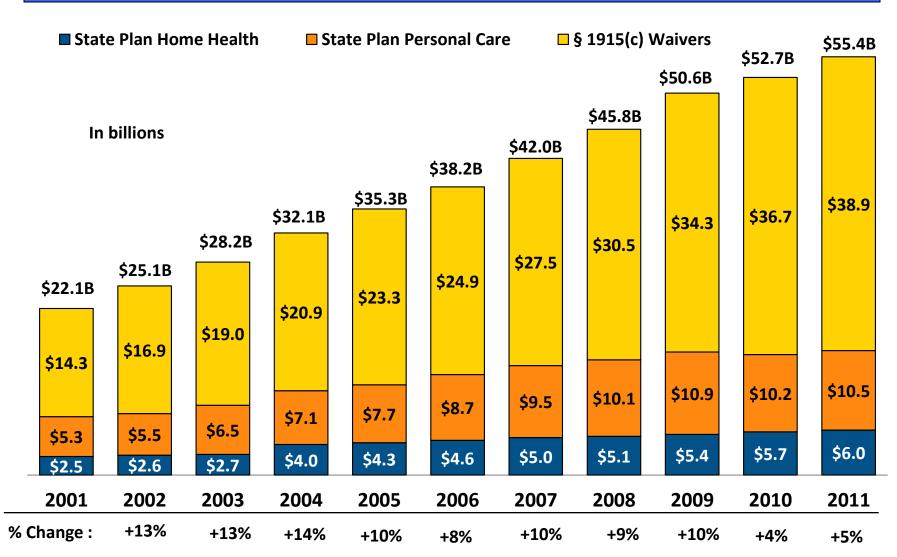
# Medicaid HCBS Participants & Expenditures by Program, 2011



## Medicaid HCBS Participants by Program, 2001-2011



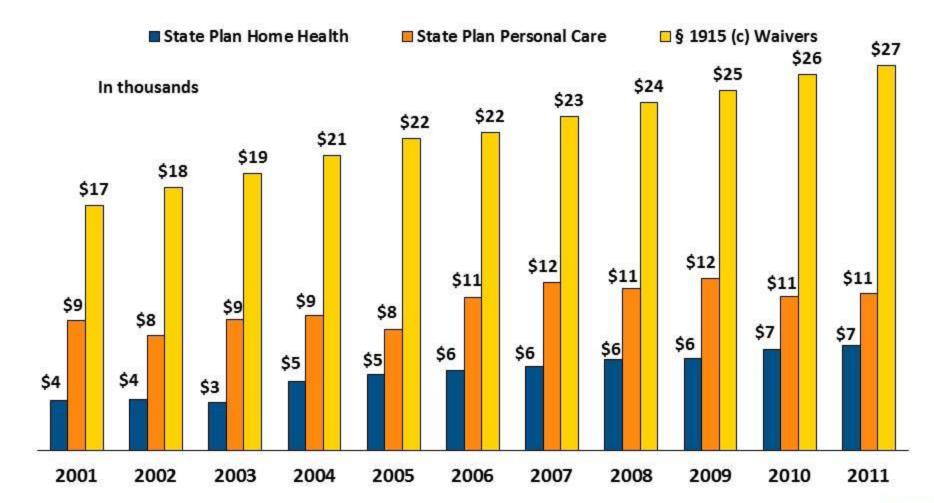
# Medicaid HCBS Expenditures by Program, 2001-2011



Ng & Harrington, 2014, Medicaid HCBS Program Data 01-11 San Francisco, CA: UCSF

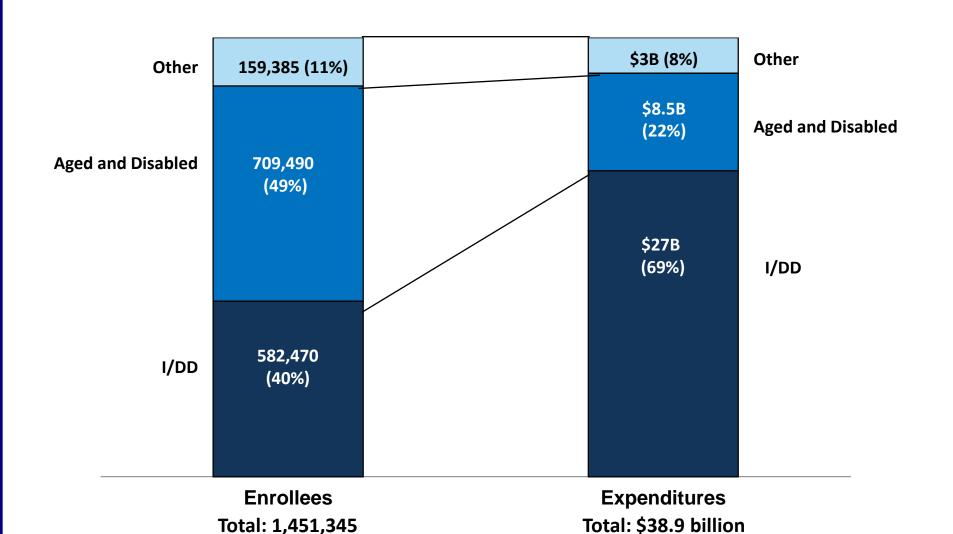
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## Medicaid HCBS Average Expenditures Per Person Served, 2001-2011





# Waiver Participants & Expenditures by Enrollment Group, 2011



# Waiver Participants, Expenditures and \$/Participant by Service, 2011

	Case Mngt	Respite/ Home Health/ Personal Care	Habilitation/ Day Care	Nursing/ Therapy	Residential/ Foster Care	Others
Persons	493,011	799,489	526,764	231,848	198,082	1,420,401
\$ millions	\$790	\$10,710	\$15,685	\$819	\$3,970	\$5,058
\$/person	\$1,602	\$13,396	\$29,775	\$3,532	\$20,045	\$3,561

### **Medicaid HCBS Cost Control Policies, 2013**

#### **HCBS Waivers**

- Limits on financial eligibility for those who are otherwise eligible for institutional care – quarter of waivers less than 300% SSI
- 10 waivers in 8 states have more restrictive functional eligibility than institutions
- Ceilings or caps on services and expenditures per participant
- Geographical limits within states
- Limits on waiver participants (slots) establish waiting lists

**State Plan Personal Care Services (32 active states)** 

- Ceilings or caps on services and expenditures per participant
- Services vary between states 19 states limit hours
- Not available in 19 states

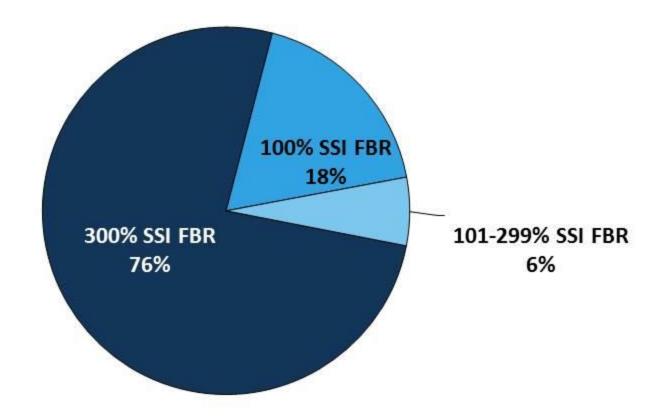
#### **Home Health**

Services vary between states

# Consumer Direction & Forms of Cost Controls, 2013

	HCBS Waivers (n=297)	State Plan PCS (n=32)	Home Health (n=51)
Consumer Direction	178 (60%)	21 (66%)	9 (18%)
<b>Cost Controls</b>			
Hourly/Service/ Cost Limits	143 (48%)	21 (66%)	30 (59%)
Geographic Limits	23 (8%)	32 active states	none
Waiting Lists	158 (53%)	none	none

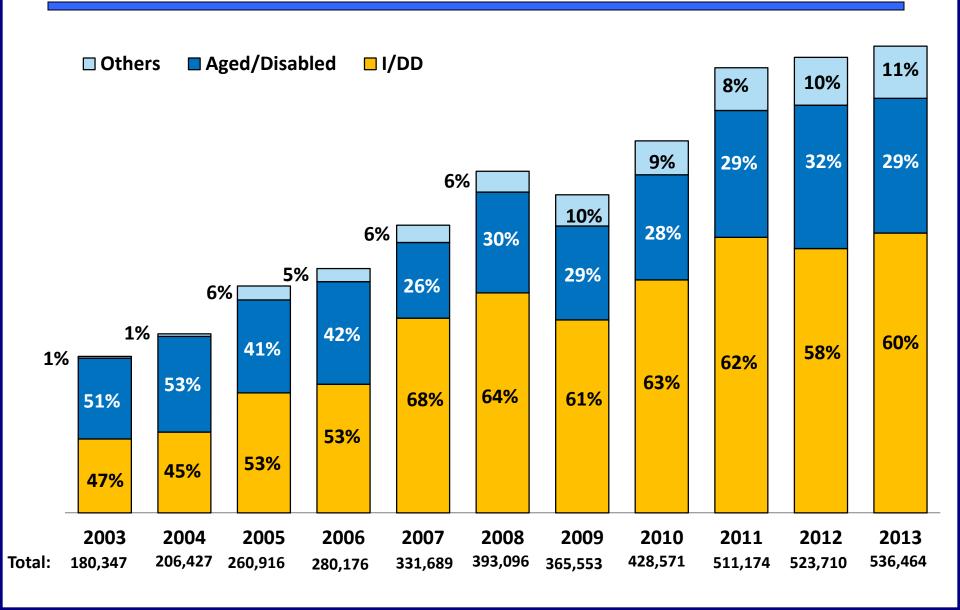
## Medicaid § 1915(c) HCBS Waiver Financial Eligibility Limits, 2013



Total = 297 reporting waivers



### Waiting Lists by Enrollment Group, 2003-2013



# States with Largest Wait Lists for HCBS Waivers, 2013 (Total: 536,464 in 40 States)

Texas – 163,146 on 8 wait lists Ave. wait time: 34 months	Louisiana – 57,156 on 5 wait lists Ave. wait time: 25 months
Florida – 51,379 on 11 wait lists Ave. wait time: 44 months	Ohio – 37,386 on 3 wait lists Ave. wait time unknown
Illinois – 33,114 on 3 wait lists Ave. wait time unknown	New Mexico – 27,239 on 3 wait lists Ave. wait time: 72 months

### **Medicaid HCBS Data Trends: Conclusion**

- Lower participant and expenditures growth than in past
- Due likely to growth in MLTSS and Others
- Medicaid HCBS expenditures grew by 5% and participants by 2% between 2010 and 2011. 10-yr average -10% / 4%
- Aged/Disabled receive fewer expenditures per participant than I/DD, about 1/4
- Waiver service and cost caps impact on program growth and create unmet needs
- Large & long waiting lists for HCBS waiver programs in many states
- Wide inter-state variation in HCBS service provision and spending on services
- Many ACA programs and initiatives for states to expand HCBS