CMS serves the public as a trusted partner and steward, dedicated to advancing health equity, expanding coverage, and improving health outcomes.

CROSS-CUTTING INITIATIVES

ELEVATING STAKEHOLDER VOICES THROUGH ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT
CMS will ensure that the public has a strong voice throughout CMS' policymaking, operations, and implementation process.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
Increase and enhance access to equitable and high-quality behavioral health services and improve outcomes for people with behavioral health care needs.

DRUG AFFORDABILITY
Ensure that prescription drugs are accessible and affordable for consumers, providers, plans, our programs, and state partners.

MATERNITY CARE
Work with states, health care facilities, community providers, and other partners to improve the quality of maternity care, expand postpartum coverage, and support a diverse provider workforce.

ORAL HEALTH
Expand access to oral health coverage so consumers achieve the best health possible, and partner with states, health plans, and providers to expand access and coverage.

RURAL HEALTH
Promote access to high-quality, equitable care for all people served by our programs in rural and frontier communities, Tribal nations, and the U.S. territories.

SUPPORTING HEALTH CARE RESILIENCY
Prepare the healthcare system for operations after the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE).

NATIONAL QUALITY STRATEGY
Shape a resilient, high-value health care system to promote quality outcomes, safety, equity, and accessibility for all individuals, especially for people within historically underserved and under-resourced communities.

COVERAGE TRANSITION (COVID-19/PHE UNWINDING)
Ensure as many individuals enrolled in Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) maintain a source of coverage as possible after the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) continuous enrollment requirement expires.

NURSING HOMES AND CHOICE IN LONG TERM CARE
Improve safety and quality of care in the nation's nursing homes.

DATA TO DRIVE DECISION-MAKING
Make more informed policy decisions based on data and drive innovation and person-centered care through the seamless exchange of data.

INTEGRATING THE 3Ms (MEDICARE, MEDICAID & CHIP, MARKETPLACE)
Promote seamless continuity of care, including experience with health care providers and health coverage, for people served by the 3Ms.

FUTURE OF WORK @ CMS
Foster a culture of care that values employee health and well-being, emphasizes workplace flexibilities and leverages technology to support remote and hybrid collaboration.