

We have heard from many of you seeking an estimate of new Medical Assistance (MA) cases as a result of the federal Affordable Care Act (ACA) eligibility changes in the Governor's budget. The attached estimate provides the number of individuals that would fall into the MA Families and Children and Adults without Children eligibility categories based on the current county distribution of MA cases. Please note that the estimate uses the number of individuals rather than cases. (Typically a case has slightly more than two individuals.) We hope this will be useful in your planning processes to estimate staffing needs.

The distribution includes the following proposals to support the implementation of the ACA that are in the Governor's budget:

- **Implement Optional MA Expansions to 138% of federal poverty guidelines (FPG)**

This proposal expands MA coverage to additional eligibility groups including:

- Adults without dependent children with income between 75% and 138% FPG; (*Add columns labeled "New MA AWC" + "MCRE Transfers AWC" for total new adults without children cases.*)
- Parents with income between 100% and 138% FPG; and (*Included as part of columns labeled "New MA FC" + "MCRE Transfers FC".*)
- 19 and 20 year olds with income between 100% and 138% FPG. (*Included part of columns labeled "New MA FC" + "MCRE Transfers FC".*)

This proposal assumes the expansion will move 53,000 average monthly enrollees from MinnesotaCare to MA in Fiscal Year 2015 and will add an additional 34,000 average monthly MA enrollees who are currently uninsured.

- **Expand MA to Maintain Coverage for Children and Pregnant Women up to 275% FPG** (*Included as part of columns labeled "New MA FC" + "MCRE Transfers FC".*)

This proposal expands MA eligibility for children ages 2-18 with household income between 150% and 275% FPG and maintains MA eligibility for pregnant women at 275% FPG. This change would result in an additional average monthly enrollment of 106,000 people in MA, 47,000 of which weren't previously covered on any public program.

The distribution of estimated new average monthly MA enrollees is in the column labeled "Total New MA Enrollees".

- **MA Eligibility and Enrollment Changes** (*See column labeled "Eligibility & Enrollment Changes".*)

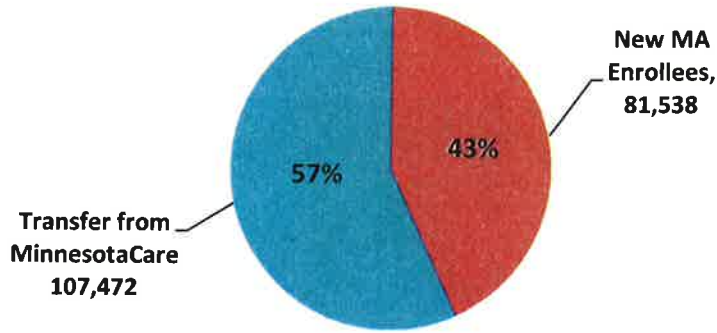
This proposal makes changes to MA processes and eligibility categories to comply with the ACA. These changes include:

- Expanding MA coverage to children ages 18-21 who are leaving foster care until they reach age 26;
- Aligning how income is counted across all Insurance Affordability Programs including MA for certain populations and premium tax credits;
- Removing the asset test for parents and caretaker relatives;
- Requiring MA renewals annually instead of semi-annually for certain populations;
- Implementing the *ex-parte* and pre-populated renewal processes using electronic data verification;
- Expanding spousal impoverishment protections for people with disabilities in home and community-based services; and
- Permitting MA enrolled hospitals to make presumptive MA eligibility determinations for certain patients.

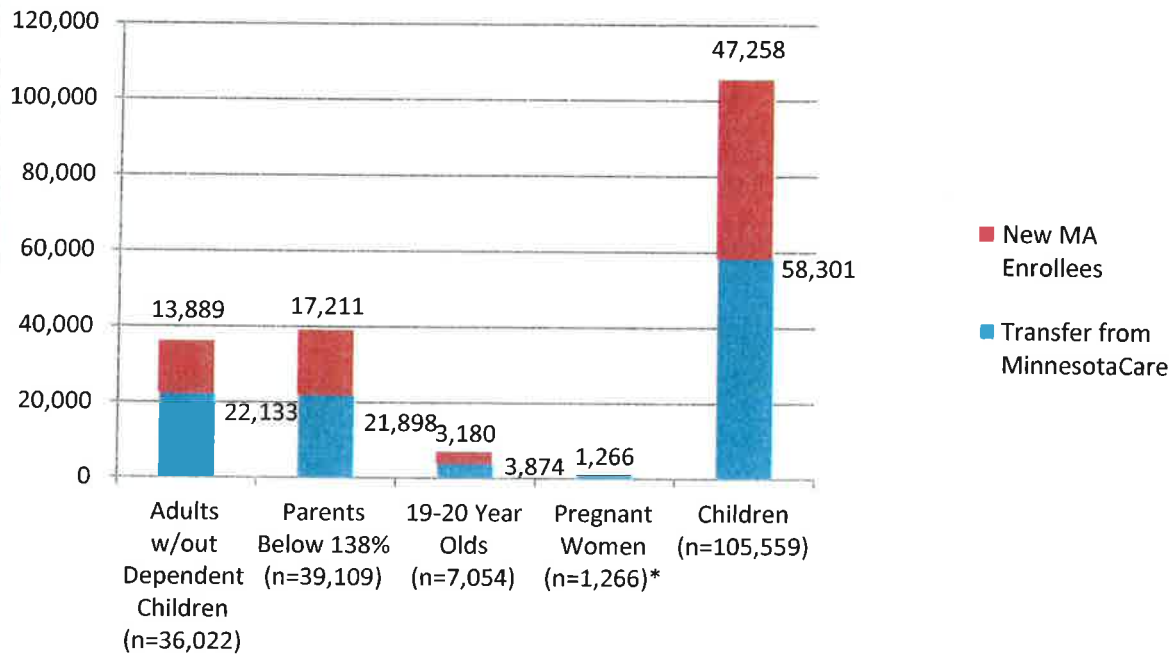
DHS estimates that these changes will result in a total of about 64,000 individuals will obtain or retain coverage in Fiscal Year 2015. The 64,000 total was distributed by county using the current enrollment percentages for MA Adults without Children since this is the eligibility category most likely to be impacted by the *ex-parte* renewals, annual enrollment periods and presumptive eligibility provisions.

DHS staff will attend the MACSSA General Meeting on February 28 from 11 – 12 to hear from you on this important matter. Please submit your questions and concerns to Troy Mangan at troy.w.mangan@state.mn.us by February 25.

Total New MA Enrollment (n=189,010)



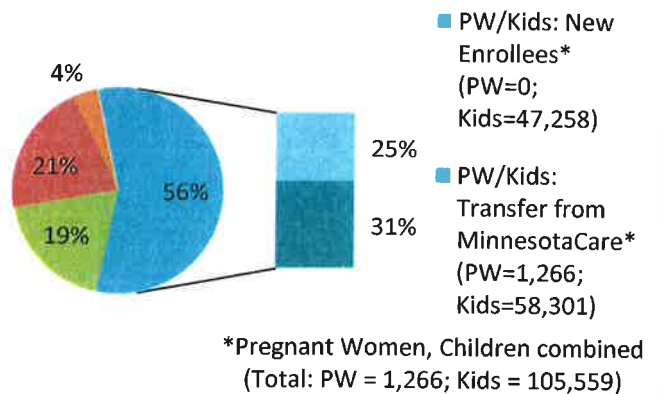
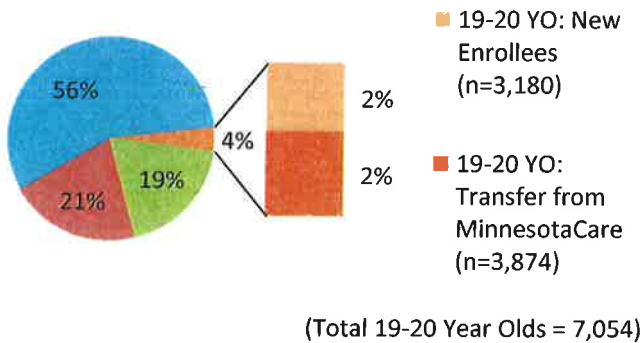
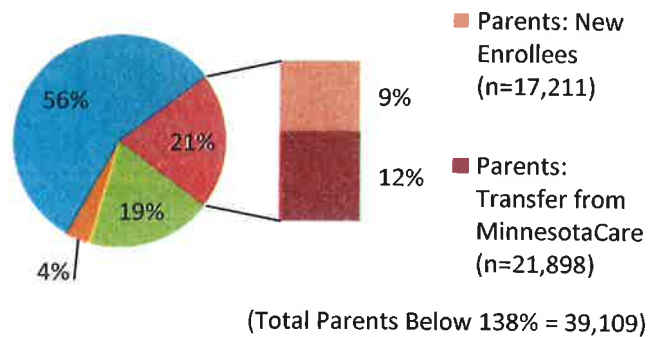
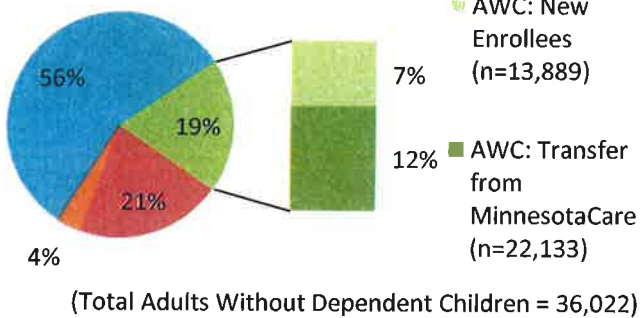
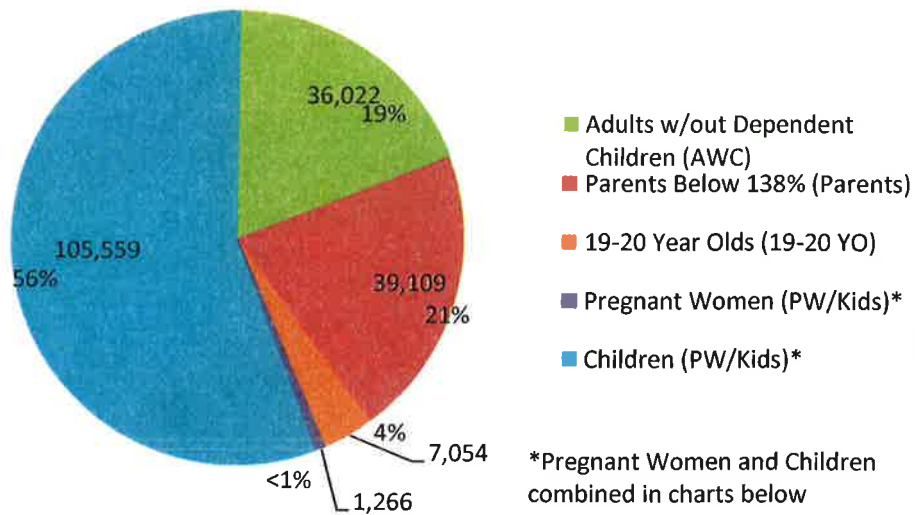
Breakdown of Populations Moving into MA



*All data for Pregnant Women are transfers from MinnesotaCare; no new MA enrollees



Total New Enrollment in MA (n=189,010)



MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Estimated Distribution of New Enrollees - ACA Changes

FC = Parents, PW, Children, 19-20 yr olds
 AWC = Adults w/out Dependent Children
 New = not previously enrolled in any MHCP
 MCRE = shifting from MCRE to MA

Distribution based on current county share of MA enrollment

County	New MA FC	New MA AWC	MCRE Transfers FC	MCRE Transfers AWC	Total New MA FC - AWC	Total MCRE FC - AWC	Total New MA Enrollees	Eligibility & Enrollment Changes
Aitkin	252	55	318	87	307	405	712	251
Anoka	3,924	728	4,950	1,161	4,652	6,111	10,763	3,345
Becker	607	110	766	176	718	942	1,660	507
Beltrami	1,134	217	1,430	346	1,350	1,776	3,126	996
Benton	510	116	643	184	625	827	1,453	532
Big Stone	63	8	79	13	71	92	163	37
Blue Earth	694	140	876	223	834	1,099	1,933	642
Brown	260	33	328	53	293	381	675	153
Carlton	447	116	564	185	564	750	1,313	534
Carver	492	73	620	116	565	737	1,301	335
Cass	599	105	756	168	704	923	1,627	483
Chippewa	167	21	210	33	188	244	431	95
Chisago	463	93	584	149	556	733	1,289	429
Clay	811	122	1,023	195	934	1,218	2,152	562
Clearwater	159	29	201	47	189	248	437	135
Cook	41	9	52	15	51	67	118	43
Cottonwood	188	28	237	45	216	282	498	129
Crow Wing	901	158	1,136	252	1,059	1,388	2,447	727
Dakota	3,466	557	4,373	888	4,023	5,260	9,284	2,559
Dodge	253	24	319	39	277	358	635	112
Douglas	398	75	502	120	473	621	1,094	344
Faribault	226	30	286	48	257	334	590	139
Fillmore	229	37	288	59	266	348	614	171
Freeborn	454	71	573	113	526	687	1,212	326
Goodhue	410	71	518	113	481	631	1,112	326
Grant	77	15	97	24	92	121	213	69
Hennepin	15,609	4,587	19,690	7,310	20,196	27,001	47,197	21,067
Houston	183	34	231	55	218	286	504	158
Hubbard	313	55	394	87	367	481	849	251
Isanti	511	92	644	147	603	791	1,394	424
Itasca	703	165	887	262	868	1,150	2,018	756
Jackson	126	12	159	20	139	179	318	57
Kanabec	274	57	346	90	331	436	767	260
Kandiyohi	790	99	997	157	889	1,154	2,043	453
Kittson	43	8	55	13	51	67	118	36
Koochiching	184	36	231	57	219	288	508	164
Lac Qui Parle	79	12	99	19	91	118	209	56
Lake	102	16	128	25	118	154	271	73
Lake Of The Woods	51	7	64	11	57	75	132	32
Le Sueur	291	37	366	58	327	425	752	168
Lincoln	57	7	72	11	64	84	148	33
Lyon	362	49	457	78	411	535	946	224
Mcleod	403	50	509	79	453	588	1,041	229
Mahnomen	211	42	266	67	252	332	585	192
Marshall	88	12	111	19	100	130	230	55
Martin	292	48	368	77	340	445	786	223
Meeker	261	45	330	72	306	402	708	208
Mille Lacs	408	68	514	108	475	622	1,097	311
Morrison	422	76	533	122	499	654	1,153	350
Mower	694	93	876	148	787	1,024	1,811	427
Murray	87	12	110	19	99	128	227	54
Nicollet	369	49	465	78	418	543	961	224
Nobles	427	38	539	60	465	599	1,064	173
Norman	121	14	153	22	135	174	309	62
Olmsted	1,729	308	2,181	491	2,037	2,673	4,710	1,416
Otter Tail	660	109	832	174	769	1,006	1,775	501
Pennington	191	27	241	43	218	284	502	125
Pine	474	93	598	148	567	746	1,312	426

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Pipestone	148	17	186	28	165	214	379	80
Polk	501	79	632	126	580	758	1,337	362
Pope	125	30	157	49	155	206	361	140
Ramsey	10,152	1,970	12,807	3,140	12,123	15,947	28,070	9,049
Red Lake	61	7	77	10	68	88	156	30
Redwood	199	22	251	35	221	286	506	101
Renville	244	30	308	47	273	355	628	136
Rice	691	99	872	158	791	1,030	1,821	456
Rock	101	11	128	17	112	145	257	50
Roseau	140	19	176	31	159	207	366	89
St. Louis	2,535	751	3,198	1,196	3,286	4,394	7,680	3,447
Scott	949	127	1,198	202	1,076	1,400	2,476	583
Sherburne	863	110	1,089	176	973	1,264	2,238	507
Sibley	173	18	218	28	191	246	437	80
Stearns	1,802	335	2,273	533	2,137	2,806	4,943	1,537
Steele	553	74	698	118	627	816	1,444	341
Stevens	73	14	92	22	87	114	200	62
Swift	135	18	171	29	154	200	354	84
Todd	307	57	388	91	364	478	843	261
Traverse	45	6	56	10	51	66	117	29
Wabasha	197	31	248	50	228	298	526	144
Wadena	248	38	312	61	286	373	659	175
Waseca	250	41	315	65	291	380	671	189
Washington	1,519	258	1,916	411	1,777	2,327	4,103	1,184
Watonwan	177	14	224	23	192	247	438	65
Wilkin	100	16	126	26	117	153	269	75
Winona	450	123	568	196	574	764	1,338	565
Wright	1,044	159	1,317	253	1,202	1,570	2,772	729
Yellow Medicine	114	14	144	22	128	166	294	62
Total	67,636	13,889	85,322	22,133	81,525	107,455	188,980	63,782

NOTE: Totals may not sum to estimates provided in the Governor's Budget due to rounding.