



For additional information on the grading methodology, please visit the State of the States Report: [rareaction.org/stateofthestates](http://rareaction.org/stateofthestates)

## Medicaid Eligibility

Overall Grade: **C**

Eligibility for childless adults	F
Eligibility for parent of a dependent child	C
Eligibility for pregnant women	B
Medicaid and/or Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP) eligibility for children	B

## Medicaid Section 1115 Waivers

Overall Grade: **Fail**

Tennessee is seeking a section 1115 waiver to implement, among other things, a work requirement, a block grant financing system and a closed formulary. This waiver has yet to be approved by the federal government.

## Out-of-Pocket Costs

Overall Grade: **F**

Prescription drug cost sharing protections	F
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## Step Therapy

Overall Grade: **F**

Based on clinical practice	F
Timeline	F
Exception process	F
Categories of exceptions	F
Subsequent guidance from state	F

## Medical Nutrition

Overall Grade: **C**

Coverage requirements for commercial health plans	D
Covered disorders requirements for commercial health plans	D
Coverage requirements for state-run programs	B
Covered disorders requirements for state-run programs	C

## Newborn Screening

Overall Grade: **B**

Screening for RUSP core conditions	B
Adding RUSP core conditions to the state panel	B
Funding for program	B
Use of dried blood spots (DBS)	B
Follow-up	C
Quality of program	B
Advisory committee	B

## Rare Disease Advisory Councils

Tennessee has not enacted legislation to create a rare disease advisory council.

## Individual Insurance Market Protections

**Pre-existing conditions protections:** Only current federal protections apply in Tennessee.

**Short-term, limited-duration and association health plans:** Tennessee does not place any stricter limitations than current federal standards on short-term, limited-duration health plans or association health plans.

**Reinsurance:** Tennessee has not yet sought a section 1332 waiver to establish a reinsurance program.