



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: A

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

## Medicaid Section 1115 Waivers

Overall Grade: Pass

Connecticut has not sought to use section 1115 waivers to enact provisions in its Medicaid program that would be harmful to the rare disease community.

## Out-of-Pocket Costs

Overall Grade: A

Prescription drug cost sharing protections	A
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## Step Therapy

Overall Grade: B

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

## Medical Nutrition

Overall Grade: B

Coverage requirements for commercial health plans	A
Covered disorders requirements for commercial health plans	C
Coverage requirements for state-run programs	A
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	A
Use of dried blood spots (DBS)	B
Follow-up	A
Quality of program	C
Advisory committee	B

## Rare Disease Advisory Councils

Connecticut enacted legislation to create a temporary rare disease task force in 2017, and the task force has met several times since it was created. Advocates are working toward the creation of a permanent rare disease advisory council.

## Individual Insurance Market Protections

**Pre-existing conditions protections:** Connecticut requires the use of adjusted community rating and prohibits pre-existing conditions exclusions.

**Short-term, limited-duration and association health plans:** Connecticut limits the initial contract duration of short-term, limited-duration health plans to six months. Coverage sold to individuals and small businesses through an association must comply with individual and small-group market standards respectively. Self-funded association health plans must satisfy the same licensure and financial standards as commercial insurers.

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