

# Snapshot: Estimated Health Care Expenditure in Local Jails



This estimate will cover the cost of providing health services, if all pre-trial inmates were eligible for Medicaid. Actual amounts will vary depending upon eligibility and service provided.



**Average amount spent per person on ALL Medicaid enrollees in one year**

(2017, MACPAC)

**Number of pre-trial individuals in jails on any given day**

(2017, Prison Policy Initiative)

**Average spent per year for pre-trial inmates**

\*If all pre-trial inmates were eligible for Medicaid

## BILLIONS spent per year on health care for Medicaid enrollees and on private insurance

Spent on private insurance in 2017

\$1,142.6B

Spent in total on Medicaid (2017, MACPAC this is for all Medicaid beneficiaries)

\$581.9B

**Spent per year on average for pre-trial inmates**

\*If all pre-trial inmates were eligible for Medicaid

\$3.34B

# All Medicaid plans cover these 15 mandatory health benefits

- Inpatient hospital services
- Outpatient hospital services



- EPSDT: Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment services

- Nursing facility services

- Home health services



- Physician services

- Rural health clinic services

- Laboratory and X-ray services



- Federally qualified health center services

- Family planning services

- Nurse midwife services



- Certified pediatric and nurse practitioner services

- Freestanding birth center services (when licensed or otherwise recognized by the state)

- Transportation to medical care



- Tobacco cessation counseling for pregnant women