

Serious Illness Scorecard: State Rating Detailed Information

America's Serious Illness Scorecard reviews each state's capacity to deliver high-quality care to people facing serious illness. The scorecard evaluates five domains:

- Availability of specialty palliative care
- Payment for specialty palliative care services
- Structures to advance palliative care awareness and access
- Basic palliative care professional education for all clinicians
- Structures to meet functional and caregiver support needs

These tables provide details of how your state scored in each domain.

Specialty Palliative Care Availability

Proportion of State's Hospitals (>50 Beds) with Self-Reported Palliative Care Program or Unit		Count of State's Certified Hospice and Palliative Care Professionals per 100,000 Population	
Finding	Scorecard Rating	Finding	Scorecard Rating
Alabama	64.3%	0.25	2.80
Alaska	100.0%	1.00	6.54
Arizona	87.5%	0.75	4.86
Arkansas	45.5%	0.25	3.48
California	87.4%	0.75	4.51
Colorado	91.9%	0.75	6.66
Connecticut	94.7%	1.00	5.90
Delaware	100.0%	1.00	6.58
District of Columbia	83.3%	0.50	4.61
Florida	86.6%	0.75	4.51
Georgia	72.3%	0.25	3.56
Hawaii	81.8%	0.50	7.01
Idaho	75.0%	0.25	4.13
Illinois	88.6%	0.75	3.90
Indiana	86.0%	0.50	4.01
Iowa	76.0%	0.25	4.81
Kansas	81.8%	0.50	4.36
Kentucky	81.3%	0.50	6.40
Louisiana	82.9%	0.50	2.57
Maine	88.9%	0.75	10.32
Maryland	100.0%	1.00	6.49
Massachusetts	90.9%	0.75	9.28
Michigan	83.6%	0.50	4.67
Minnesota	95.7%	1.00	6.26
Mississippi	54.8%	0.25	2.41
Missouri	81.0%	0.25	3.58
Montana	88.9%	0.75	5.08
Nebraska	92.3%	0.75	5.74
Nevada	85.7%	0.50	2.74
New Hampshire	100.0%	1.00	10.11
New Jersey	96.2%	1.00	4.87
New Mexico	69.2%	0.25	5.25
New York	92.9%	0.75	5.68
North Carolina	86.5%	0.50	7.21
North Dakota	100.0%	1.00	5.77
Ohio	96.9%	1.00	9.86
Oklahoma	60.6%	0.25	2.24
Oregon	89.3%	0.75	8.84
Pennsylvania	93.8%	0.75	6.58
Rhode Island	100.0%	1.00	12.62
South Carolina	82.5%	0.50	4.85
South Dakota	88.9%	0.75	5.39
Tennessee	83.3%	0.50	4.10
Texas	70.0%	0.25	3.32
Utah	100.0%	1.00	3.11
Vermont	100.0%	1.00	11.28
Virginia	86.1%	0.50	5.10
Washington	94.7%	1.00	6.86
West Virginia	68.8%	0.25	5.41
Wisconsin	62.3%	0.25	8.09
Wyoming	83.3%	0.50	3.27

Payment for Palliative Care Services

	Existence of State Legislation or Regulation Expanding Payment for Specialty Palliative Care (Adult or Pediatric)		Existence of Unique Services for Enrollees with Serious Illness at the State's Largest Health Insurance Provider	
	Finding	Scorecard Rating	Finding	Scorecard Rating
Alabama	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Alaska	No	0.00	No	0.00
Arizona	No	0.00	No	0.00
Arkansas	No	0.00	No	0.00
California	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Colorado	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Connecticut	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Delaware	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
District of Columbia	No	0.00	No	0.00
Florida	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Georgia	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Hawaii	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Idaho	No	0.00	No	0.00
Illinois	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
Indiana	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Iowa	No	0.00	No	0.00
Kansas	No	0.00	No	0.00
Kentucky	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Louisiana	No	0.00	No	0.00
Maine	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Maryland	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
Massachusetts	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Michigan	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Minnesota	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Mississippi	No	0.00	No	0.00
Missouri	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Montana	No	0.00	No	0.00
Nebraska	No	0.00	No	0.00
Nevada	No	0.00	No	0.00
New Hampshire	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
New Jersey	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
New Mexico	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
New York	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
North Carolina	No	0.00	No	0.00
North Dakota	No	0.00	No	0.00
Ohio	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Oklahoma	No	0.00	No	0.00
Oregon	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
Pennsylvania	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Rhode Island	No	0.00	No	0.00
South Carolina	No	0.00	No	0.00
South Dakota	No	0.00	No	0.00
Tennessee	No	0.00	No	0.00
Texas	No	0.00	No	0.00
Utah	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Vermont	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
Virginia	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Washington	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
West Virginia	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Wisconsin	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Wyoming	No	0.00	No	0.00

Structured Champions, Advocacy, and Support

	Existence of Active State Palliative Care Advisory Council		Existence of State Palliative Care Coalition (Adult or Pediatric)	
	Finding	Scorecard Rating	Finding	Scorecard Rating
Alabama	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Alaska	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Arizona	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Arkansas	No	0.00	No	0.00
California	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Colorado	No	0.00	No	0.00
Connecticut	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
Delaware	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
District of Columbia	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Florida	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Georgia	No	0.00	No	0.00
Hawaii	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Idaho	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Illinois	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Indiana	No	0.00	No	0.00
Iowa	No	0.00	No	0.00
Kansas	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
Kentucky	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
Louisiana	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Maine	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
Maryland	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Massachusetts	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Michigan	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Minnesota	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Mississippi	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Missouri	No	0.00	No	0.00
Montana	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Nebraska	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
Nevada	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
New Hampshire	No	0.00	No	0.00
New Jersey	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
New Mexico	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
New York	No	0.00	No	0.00
North Carolina	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
North Dakota	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Ohio	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
Oklahoma	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
Oregon	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Pennsylvania	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Rhode Island	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
South Carolina	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
South Dakota	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Tennessee	Yes	1.00	No	0.00
Texas	Yes	1.00	Yes	1.00
Utah	No	0.00	No	0.00
Vermont	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Virginia	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Washington	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
West Virginia	No	0.00	Yes	1.00
Wisconsin	No	0.00	No	0.00
Wyoming	No	0.00	No	0.00

Building Skills Outside Specialty Palliative Care

	Existence of Relevant Medical and/or Nursing Continuing Education Requirements		Count of Clinicians Who Completed at Least One CAPC Course per 10,000 Clinicians in the State	
	Finding	Scorecard Rating	Finding	Scorecard Rating
Alabama	No	0.00	111.7	0.25
Alaska	Yes	1.00	245.2	1.00
Arizona	No	0.00	91.8	0.25
Arkansas	No	0.00	64.2	0.25
California	Yes	1.00	141.1	0.50
Colorado	No	0.00	238.4	0.75
Connecticut	Yes	1.00	224.1	0.75
Delaware	No	0.00	138.1	0.50
District of Columbia	No	0.00	83.0	0.25
Florida	No	0.00	176.2	0.50
Georgia	No	0.00	154.8	0.50
Hawaii	No	0.00	146.1	0.50
Idaho	No	0.00	199.0	0.75
Illinois	Yes	1.00	176.9	0.50
Indiana	No	0.00	198.8	0.75
Iowa	Yes	1.00	352.8	1.00
Kansas	No	0.00	238.8	0.75
Kentucky	Yes	1.00	230.2	0.75
Louisiana	No	0.00	132.4	0.50
Maine	No	0.00	395.7	1.00
Maryland	No	0.00	349.9	1.00
Massachusetts	Yes	1.00	159.2	0.50
Michigan	Yes	1.00	563.6	1.00
Minnesota	No	0.00	115.3	0.25
Mississippi	No	0.00	198.9	0.75
Missouri	No	0.00	81.5	0.25
Montana	No	0.00	132.3	0.50
Nebraska	No	0.00	382.2	1.00
Nevada	Yes	1.00	86.2	0.25
New Hampshire	Yes	1.00	249.1	1.00
New Jersey	Yes	1.00	331.9	1.00
New Mexico	Yes	1.00	227.7	0.75
New York	Yes	1.00	327.9	1.00
North Carolina	No	0.00	155.2	0.50
North Dakota	No	0.00	142.7	0.50
Ohio	Yes	1.00	216.5	0.75
Oklahoma	Yes	1.00	79.8	0.25
Oregon	Yes	1.00	429.3	1.00
Pennsylvania	Yes	1.00	261.6	1.00
Rhode Island	Yes	1.00	258.1	1.00
South Carolina	No	0.00	236.4	0.75
South Dakota	No	0.00	96.0	0.25
Tennessee	Yes	1.00	154.6	0.50
Texas	No	0.00	153.2	0.50
Utah	No	0.00	41.7	0.25
Vermont	Yes	1.00	212.9	0.75
Virginia	Yes	1.00	216.3	0.75
Washington	No	0.00	275.5	1.00
West Virginia	No	0.00	64.5	0.25
Wisconsin	No	0.00	184.2	0.75
Wyoming	No	0.00	22.5	0.25

Foundation for Functional and Caregiver Support

	Existence of Medicaid Waiver for Extra Services for Seriously Ill Children		AARP Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) Scorecard Ranking	
	Finding	Scorecard Rating	Finding	Scorecard Rating
Alabama	Yes	1.00	50	0.25
Alaska	Yes	1.00	26	0.75
Arizona	Yes	1.00	22	0.75
Arkansas	No	0.00	37	0.50
California	Yes	1.00	11	1.00
Colorado	Yes	1.00	5	1.00
Connecticut	Yes	1.00	13	1.00
Delaware	Yes	1.00	17	0.75
District of Columbia	No	0.00	3	1.00
Florida	Yes	1.00	43	0.25
Georgia	Yes	1.00	39	0.50
Hawaii	No	0.00	8	1.00
Idaho	No	0.00	35	0.50
Illinois	Yes	1.00	25	0.75
Indiana	Yes	1.00	27	0.50
Iowa	Yes	1.00	23	0.75
Kansas	Yes	1.00	30	0.50
Kentucky	Yes	1.00	42	0.25
Louisiana	No	0.00	45	0.25
Maine	No	0.00	16	0.75
Maryland	Yes	1.00	14	0.75
Massachusetts	No	0.00	4	1.00
Michigan	No	0.00	31	0.50
Minnesota	Yes	1.00	1	1.00
Mississippi	Yes	1.00	48	0.25
Missouri	No	0.00	38	0.50
Montana	Yes	1.00	33	0.50
Nebraska	Yes	1.00	18	0.75
Nevada	Yes	1.00	44	0.25
New Hampshire	No	0.00	24	0.75
New Jersey	No	0.00	10	1.00
New Mexico	Yes	1.00	20	0.75
New York	Yes	1.00	6	1.00
North Carolina	Yes	1.00	41	0.25
North Dakota	Yes	1.00	19	0.75
Ohio	Yes	1.00	32	0.50
Oklahoma	No	0.00	46	0.25
Oregon	Yes	1.00	7	1.00
Pennsylvania	No	0.00	21	0.75
Rhode Island	No	0.00	12	1.00
South Carolina	Yes	1.00	49	0.25
South Dakota	No	0.00	36	0.50
Tennessee	No	0.00	47	0.25
Texas	Yes	1.00	34	0.50
Utah	Yes	1.00	29	0.50
Vermont	No	0.00	9	1.00
Virginia	Yes	1.00	28	0.50
Washington	No	0.00	2	1.00
West Virginia	Yes	1.00	51	0.25
Wisconsin	Yes	1.00	15	0.75
Wyoming	No	0.00	40	0.25

Total Score

	Total Score	Unadjusted Rating (Out of 5)	Final Rounded Rating (Out of 5)
Alabama	5.00	2.500	2.5
Alaska	6.50	3.250	3.5
Arizona	4.25	2.125	2.5
Arkansas	1.25	0.625	1.0
California	7.75	3.875	4.0
Colorado	6.50	3.250	3.5
Connecticut	7.50	3.750	4.0
Delaware	6.25	3.125	3.5
District of Columbia	3.25	1.625	2.0
Florida	6.00	3.000	3.0
Georgia	3.50	1.750	2.0
Hawaii	6.00	3.000	3.0
Idaho	3.00	1.500	1.5
Illinois	7.25	3.625	4.0
Indiana	4.25	2.125	2.5
Iowa	4.50	2.250	2.5
Kansas	4.25	2.125	2.5
Kentucky	6.25	3.125	3.5
Louisiana	3.50	1.750	2.0
Maine	6.50	3.250	3.5
Maryland	7.50	3.750	4.0
Massachusetts	8.25	4.125	4.5
Michigan	5.50	2.750	3.0
Minnesota	7.00	3.500	3.5
Mississippi	3.50	1.750	2.0
Missouri	2.25	1.125	1.5
Montana	5.25	2.625	3.0
Nebraska	5.25	2.625	3.0
Nevada	4.25	2.125	2.5
New Hampshire	5.75	2.875	3.0
New Jersey	7.50	3.750	4.0
New Mexico	6.50	3.250	3.5
New York	6.50	3.250	3.5
North Carolina	4.25	2.125	2.5
North Dakota	5.00	2.500	2.5
Ohio	7.25	3.625	4.0
Oklahoma	3.00	1.500	1.5
Oregon	8.75	4.375	4.5
Pennsylvania	6.50	3.250	3.5
Rhode Island	6.00	3.000	3.0
South Carolina	4.00	2.000	2.0
South Dakota	3.25	1.625	2.0
Tennessee	3.75	1.875	2.0
Texas	4.50	2.250	2.5
Utah	4.00	2.000	2.0
Vermont	6.75	3.375	3.5
Virginia	6.50	3.250	3.5
Washington	6.00	3.000	3.0
West Virginia	4.50	2.250	2.5
Wisconsin	4.75	2.375	2.5
Wyoming	1.25	0.625	1.0