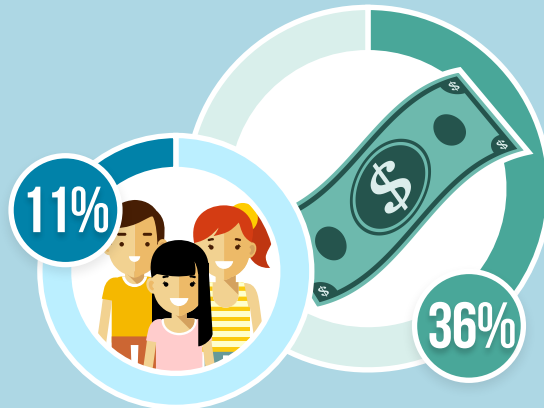


FACES OF MEDICAID: CHILDREN'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE UTILIZATION & EXPENDITURES



Of the 32 million children covered by Medicaid, about **1-in-10 use behavioral health care services**



... and those children account for **over 1/3 of all costs for children in Medicaid** — totaling over \$30.2 billion

These children have **mean expenditures 4x higher** than children in Medicaid who only use physical health care

\$2,492

Children using only physical health services

\$10,259

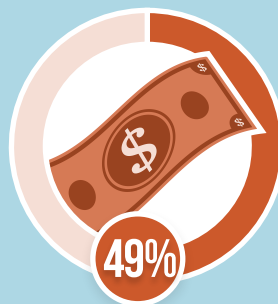
Children using both physical and behavioral health services

Children covered by **foster care** and **SSI/disability** account for...

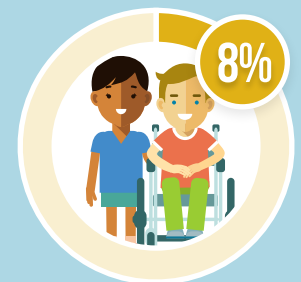
Over 1/4 of behavioral health service use among children in Medicaid



Half of total behavioral health care costs for children in Medicaid



Only a small portion of children covered by Medicaid



OPPORTUNITIES FOR STATES TO IMPROVE QUALITY



Expand access to evidence-based therapeutic interventions



Invest in care coordination models that use a wraparound approach to facilitate service delivery



Ensure collaboration across child-serving systems to improve care coordination and oversight