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Optional Medicaid Benefits

Beyond the mandatory benefits, states can choose to cover as many optional benefits as they want, but if they cover an optional benefit, it generally must be offered for all covered population groups across the entire state. There are many differences across states in how many and which optional benefits are offered, hence part of the reason why every state Medicaid program is unique. New Jersey covers many optional Medicaid benefits that most individuals with IDD rely on every day and significantly benefit from receiving:

- Private duty nursing
- Dental services
- Prescription drugs
- Eyeglasses
- Self-directed personal care assistance
- Home and community based services

See more of the services that NJ FamilyCare covers for Medicaid-eligible individuals:

https://njfamilycare.dhs.state.nj.us/what_cover.aspx.

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