
National Covering Kids & Families Network Scoop

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Happy June NCKFers, we hope you are enjoying the beginning of summer and all the fun activities that accompany the warmer weather. In this week's Scoop you will find two interesting pieces from other states along with a recent analysis from the Urban Institute about the complex coverage arrangements some children and their families will face under the new health reform law.

[New Report on Improving Continuity of Coverage for Infants](#)

Connecticut Voices for Children recently issued a new report called "HUSKY Program Coverage for Infants: Maintaining Coverage When Babies Turn One" which includes an analysis of why over 40 percent of babies fail to keep their health coverage when they turn one year old. The report examines how the process and procedures do not offer a clear pathway to ongoing coverage and makes recommendations to improve the problem. Please go [here](#) to see the report.

[Utah Improves Timeliness and Reduces Cost with E-Communications](#)

The state of Utah has seen a marked improvement in its customer service along with significant cost-savings as a result of launching a new program last year called myCase. Through this online program, Medicaid and CHIP enrollees are able to accomplish a number of tasks associated with their coverage and other benefits. Some of these tasks include viewing their application status, reporting changes, and viewing notices and printing forms. For more details on this exciting new innovation, please see a recent blog about myCase by Tricia Brooks, on Say Ahhh! [here](#).

[New Urban Institute Report Examines Complex Coverage for Children Under Reform](#)

A new report from the Urban Institute looks closer at the complex arrangements many children and families will face when the new health reform law is fully implemented. The report outlines the key groups that will face particular challenges and then outlines the strategies to maximize coverage for these groups of children as the new health reform law is implemented. Go [here](#) to see the report.

As always, please feel free to contact us—or your Network colleagues using the [listserve](#). Go [here](#) to see previous issues of the Scoop.

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