

Medicaid & MCHP: Covering Maryland's Children

In large part thanks to Medicaid and Maryland Children's Health Program (MCHP) (CHIP), 97% of Maryland children have health coverage. Our most vulnerable families count on these programs to help their children grow into healthy, productive adults.

BUILT TO HELP CHILDREN

Medicaid and CHIP guarantee children the services they need to grow up healthy and thrive:



Check-ups



Dental care



Immunizations



Prescriptions



Health screenings



46% of Medicaid and MCHP enrollees are children.

COVERING CHILDREN WHO NEED IT MOST

In Maryland, Medicaid and MCHP cover:

38% of infants, toddlers and preschoolers

34% of children with disabilities or special needs like diabetes and asthma

78% of children who live at or near poverty

100% of children in foster care

LONG-TERM BENEFITS FOR MARYLAND

Children with health insurance are more likely to succeed in school and in life. Children enrolled in Medicaid miss fewer school days, perform better in school, are more likely to graduate high school and go to college, earn higher wages and pay higher taxes as adults.



We must keep Medicaid and MCHP strong for Maryland and our children. Changes or federal funding cuts that threaten coverage for children are a step in the wrong direction.

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