Medicaid is Vital to Florida's Children

Medicaid is a public health insurance program designed to help people who otherwise could not afford health coverage.

Medicaid is a lifeline to children and families in Florida and is built with children's unique needs in mind.

63% of people enrolled in Medicaid in Florida are children

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Medicaid pays for 42% of Florida births

Helps ensure access to critical prenatal care, maternity care, and postpartum services.

Medicaid covers 39% of all Florida children

Insures children in low-income families and nearly all children in foster care.

Medicaid covers 55% of children in Florida with special health care needs

Provides medical, behavioral health, and long term care for children with special health care needs and disabilities.

Medicaid is the largest source of federal funding for mental health services

Supports mental and behavioral health treatment for children, adolescents, and adults.

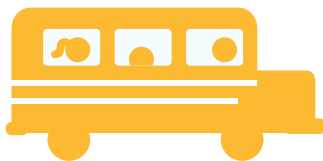## MEDICAID IS VITAL TO FLORIDA'S CHILDREN

$ The federal government contributes $1.34 to Medicaid for every $1 Florida invests.

44% 44% of federal funding sent to Florida is for Medicaid, which is about $19.5 billion annually.

Medicaid is a smart long-term investment in children.

Children enrolled in Medicaid:

Miss fewer school days

Are more likely to graduate from high school

Grow up to be healthier adults

Earn higher wages

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