



Insurance for ALL PA Children

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Public Citizens for Children and Youth

MISSION:

PCCY works to improve the lives of our region's children by developing initiatives and advocating for quality health care, child care, public education and family stability.

CURRENT CAMPAIGNS:

- ✓ Pre-K for PA
- ✓ Campaign for Fair Education Funding
- ✓ School Play
- ✓ READ by 4th!
- ✓ Picasso Project
- ✓ Dream Care



Thank you PCCY
Dream Care Funders

1675 Foundation
Brandywine Health Foundation
Independence Foundation



Too Many Children Are Uninsured

An estimated 24,000 PA children are undocumented and uninsured – about 7,000 in the southeast.

Children Who Are Undocumented Are Ineligible for Insurance

CHIP and Medicaid are jointly state and federally funded.

Federal funds cannot be spent on individuals who are undocumented.

Uninsured Children's Care Costs More \$

\$4,600

CHOP uncompensated
care cost

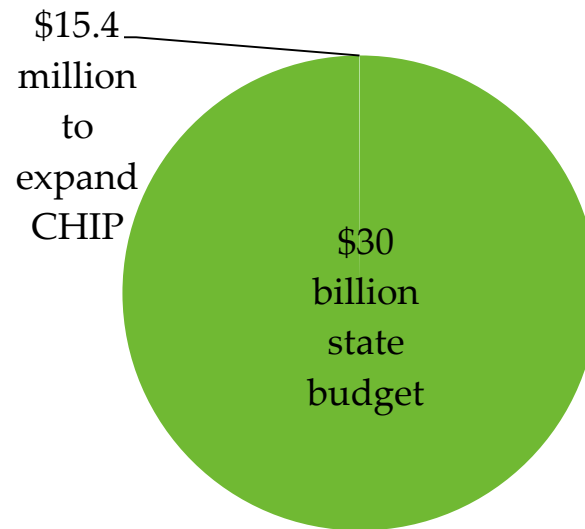
2X More

\$2,500

Average CHIP coverage
cost

PA Can Afford to Cover All Kids

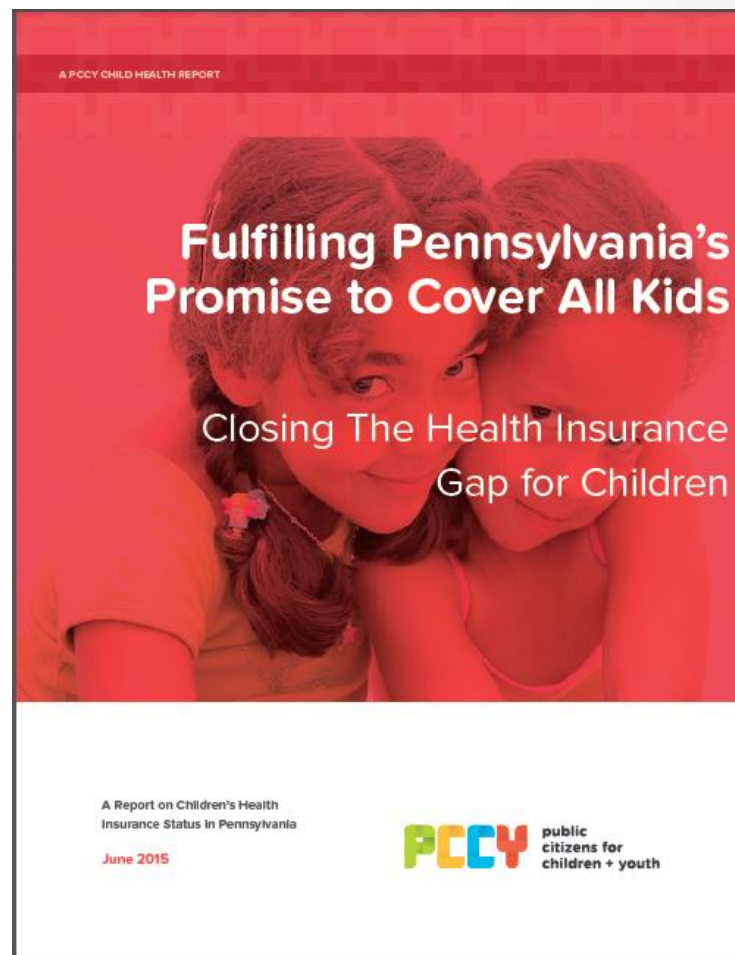
Cost to expand CHIP is .05% of state budget.



Uninsured PA Children Lack Needed Care

PCCY found 9 out of 10 children received delayed or no care at all:

- 100% because they couldn't afford it
- 91% when they needed a specialist
- 28% required ER care
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Five States and Washington DC Cover *All* Kids with State & Private \$\$

Location	Year Begun
California*	1992 & 2015
Illinois	2006
Massachusetts*	1996
New York	1990
Washington State	2007
Washington DC	2000

***Implemented with a Republican Governor**

Why Pursue This Now?

- All kids needs coverage.
- Build on power of the Dream Act.
- Almost 70% of Republicans either support a path to citizenship or limited work period (Gallup poll).
- Political window of opportunity to secure Latino vote.
- Legislators may view children's insurance as a "safe" way to be pro-immigrant.

Dream Care Strategy

- ✓ Need to change the law
- ✓ Support is growing through the 41 member Dream Care Coalition – **please join us!**
- ✓ Educate legislators and identify champions
- ✓ Raise public awareness through media and forums

Dream Care Supporters

- ACLAMO
- Bucks County Medical Society
- Catholic Social Services of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia
- Chester County Fund for Women and Girls
- Consumer Health Coalition
- Children's Crisis Treatment Center
- Children's Dental Health Associates
- The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
- **Delaware County Medical Society**
- Delaware Valley Community Health
- Einstein Hospital
- Family Practice & Counseling Network
- Health Care Access of Chester County
- Health Federation of Philadelphia
- HIAS Pennsylvania
- Iglesia Pentecostal Manantial De Agua Viva Inc.
- Justice and Peace Committee of the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia
- Maternal and Child Health Consortium of Chester County
- Mental Health Association of Southeastern Pennsylvania
- Montgomery County Medical Society
- National Nursing Centers Consortium
- Nationalities Services Center
- New Sanctuary Movement
- Pediatric Dental Associates Limited
- Pennsylvania Catholic Conference
- Pennsylvania Catholic Health Association
- Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics
- Pennsylvania Coalition for Oral Health
- Pennsylvania Health Law Project
- Pennsylvania Health Access Network
- Pennsylvania Immigration and Citizenship Coalition
- Pennsylvania Medical Society
- Puentes de Salud
- Schools Without Borders
- SEIU Healthcare PA
- Southern PA Oral Surgery, LLC
- Special Smiles, Limited
- Temple University Health System
- The Open Door
- Upper Merion Dental Associates (and affiliated practices)
- Urban Health Care Coalition

Do You Know Key Legislators?

Key Committees:

Insurance

Welfare

Children

Resources

You can find the following at www.pccy.org/fulfillingthepromise -

- Dream Care Report
- True Child Stories
- County Fact Sheets
- List of Dream Care Coalition Members