Rate of Uninsured Children: Florida vs. National

Source: 2009-2016 American Community Survey.
Florida is Making Progress on Covering Children

- The number of uninsured children declined by half:

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<th>Number uninsured children, 2009</th>
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<td>601,000</td>
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- Medicaid and CHIP expansions are the main drivers of these reductions
  - The Affordable Care Act accelerated this progress

See report for information on sources and notes.
The Uninsured Rate for Children in Florida Remains among the Highest in the South

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<th>State</th>
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<td>Alabama</td>
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Source: 2016 American Community Survey
CHILDREN'S COVERAGE IN FLORIDA
Sources of Public Health Coverage for Children in Florida

- Medicaid: 2,214,221
- Separate CHIP: 195,899
- Marketplace: 121,383
- CHIP-funded Medicaid: 145,221

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Public Coverage is Very Important to Florida’s Children

- Medicaid and CHIP cover 44% of all children in Florida
- Children represent 7% of the marketplace in Florida
  - Nationwide, Floridian children represent 11% of all children enrolled in the marketplace
Children’s Medicaid and CHIP Income Eligibility in Florida

National Median: 255% FPL

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<th>Age Group</th>
<th>Medicaid</th>
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<td>0-1 years</td>
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<td>1-5 years</td>
<td>145%</td>
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<td>6-18 years</td>
<td>138%</td>
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Medicaid is a Children’s Program (Especially in Florida!)

- Children account for 60% of all Medicaid enrollees in Florida
- Medicaid covers 51% of all children under age six and half of all births
Key Features of Medicaid

- Guarantees coverage and benefits
- Provides comprehensive set of services through the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) benefit
- Prohibits discrimination based on pre-existing conditions
Impact of Medicaid

- Research shows the benefits of Medicaid are numerous:
  - Children with Medicaid have better access to care than uninsured children
    - Health benefits can extend into adulthood
  - Children who had Medicaid had higher high school graduation rates and college attendance
  - Both programs help protect families from economic insecurity and bankruptcy stemming from health care costs
    - Higher wages as adults leads to strong ROI

The Children’s Health Insurance Program

- Created in 1997, it provides coverage for children who cannot afford private health insurance but who do not qualify for Medicaid.
- Stimulated attention, outreach, and efforts to reduce the number of uninsured children.
Florida Has Three Separate CHIP Programs

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<td>Children’s Medical Services Managed Care Plan</td>
<td>Children with special health care needs ages 1-18</td>
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Florida’s CHIP Premiums are Relatively High

- For families at 151% FPL, Florida charges $15/month.
  - Two states (Delaware and Idaho) charge the same amount
  - 45 states charge less

- For families at 201% FPL, Florida charges $20/month.
  - One state (Massachusetts) charges the same amount
  - 41 states charge less

- Before the ACA, premiums in Florida began at 101% FPL and were $15/month.
  - Florida was one of only 8 states that charged a premium at 101% FPL.

CHIP FINANCING IN FLORIDA
Children in Florida Whose Coverage is Financed by CHIP

- CHIP has a more generous matching rate than Medicaid
- CHIP encourages expanded eligibility for additional groups of children
- Florida uses CHIP funding to enhance the Medicaid match rate for certain groups:
  - “Stairstep” children age 6-18 with incomes 100-138% FPL
  - Lawfully residing immigrant children
  - A small number of babies ages 0-1
# Federal Match Rates in Florida

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The CHIP Bump

- The Affordable Care Act provided for a 23 percentage point increase in the federal match for CHIP for four years through Federal Fiscal Year 2019
- MACRA funded the bump for two years
  - For Florida, this brought the federal match rate to **96.25%** in FFY 2016 and 2017.
  - Eliminating the bump would reduce the federal match rate to **73.25%**
- Florida like most states assumes bump in state budget for FFY18 and FFY19
Children in Florida Receiving the Bump in Federal CHIP Funding

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<th>Population</th>
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<td>MediKids</td>
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<td>Separate CHIP, Total</td>
<td>195,899</td>
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<td>Medicaid for ages 0-1</td>
<td>1,021</td>
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<td>Medicaid for ages 6-18 (“Stairstep” children)</td>
<td>122,070</td>
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<td>Lawfully residing immigrant children</td>
<td>22,130</td>
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<td>CHIP-funded Medicaid, Total</td>
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IMPLICATIONS OF CHIP FUNDING RENEWAL FOR FLORIDA
CHIP Renewal

- CHIP, unlike Medicaid, is not an entitlement program
  - Funding expires on September 30, 2017
  - To maintain the program, Congress must renew funding for CHIP
- Continued funding for the CHIP bump is up for debate in CHIP renewal discussions
The Stakes for Florida are High

- Florida’s CHIP program is the fourth largest in the nation
  - In 2016, only California, New York, and Texas had more children enrolled in CHIP
- Florida’s federal CHIP allotment is estimated to run out in January 2018 if Congress does not act
- Coverage for over 340,000 children is at risk in the debate
Deal Struck to Extend Financing for Children’s Health Program

By ROBERT PEAR  SEPT. 12, 2017
Hatch-Wyden CHIP Agreement

- Five years of funding: FY2018-22
- Maintenance of effort preserved through FY2019 then flexibility for states over 300% FPL
- Bump extended and phased down
Hatch-Wyden CHIP Agreement

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<th>Florida’s Enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) for CHIP</th>
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Note: CHIP FMAPs after 2018 are estimated and assume a constant rate based on 2018. Source for the 2018 rate: FY 2018: Federal Register, November 15, 2016 (Vol 81, No. 220), pp 80078-80080.
Policy Considerations

- Risk of inaction by the September 30th deadline
- **Radical Medicaid cuts and changes back on the table with Graham-Cassidy bill**
- Unfunded or lowered CHIP match rates could result in difficult choices for Florida:
  - Enrollment freezes
  - Premium increases
  - Rollback of coverage for optional Medicaid populations
  - Florida has to commit more funding