

100% KIDS HEALTH COVERAGE IN IDAHO

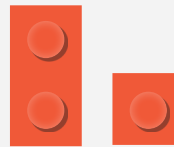
Uninterrupted health coverage and quality care create a foundation for children to grow. Research shows that when children have access to health coverage, they are more likely to succeed in school and have better health and economic outcomes as adults – creating ripple effects that benefit us all. However, Idaho’s child uninsured rate increased at a considerably faster pace than any other state last year, and too many Idaho kids remain uninsured and without access to care. Through data-driven policy solutions and sustained commitment to change, we can ensure EVERY Idaho Kid has the health coverage and care they need to thrive.



Half of Idaho kids from low-income families do not receive a recommended annual medical check-up



One in three Idaho kids do not receive a recommended annual medical check-up



Hispanic babies experience infant mortality rates almost twice as high as white babies in Idaho



Ranked 49th in the country, Idaho has restrictive income thresholds for children's Medicaid eligibility

WE CAN TAKE STEPS TO ENSURE 100% OF IDAHO KIDS HAVE THE HEALTH COVERAGE AND CARE THEY NEED TO GROW HEALTHY AND SUCCEED LATER IN LIFE.

Cover Every Idaho Kid

No child should be denied care, but thousands of children are unable to get health coverage or are forced to delay or forgo treatment because of their family’s background or immigration status. Harmful policies that create barriers to care based on background and immigrant status perpetuate disparities in health outcomes that impact families and communities for generations. A child’s background should not be a barrier to accessing healthcare.

Connect Families to Care

Idaho must promote policy decisions that eliminate barriers to the most appropriate care for children and families. Policymakers should support outreach and enrollment assistance efforts so families can easily connect with the care and coverage that is right for their unique circumstances. To ensure a healthy start for every child, each newborn in Idaho should be enrolled in health coverage before leaving the hospital. Addressing Idaho’s provider shortage will ensure every child - regardless of zip code - can access timely and quality healthcare services.

Ensure Consistent Coverage

Lapses health coverage can have long-term effects on the health and well-being of children and can create family financial hardship. Consistent access to health coverage not only ensures children receive regular wellness exams, it also helps to reduce medical debt and bankruptcy, school absenteeism, and lost work days for parents. Once enrolled in health coverage, it is imperative that children remain covered without navigating confusing or overly burdensome renewal processes.

WE CAN REACH 100% HEALTH COVERAGE FOR IDAHO KIDS AND HELP EVERY CHILD REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL.

