



## SUPPORT CHP+ COVERAGE FOR COLORADO'S KIDS AND PREGNANT WOMEN



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**COLORADO MUST INVEST IN THE CHP+ PROGRAM IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ESSENTIAL HEALTH COVERAGE FOR 90,000 KIDS AND PREGNANT WOMEN ANNUALLY, INCLUDING MANY WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND CHRONIC CONDITIONS LIKE CANCER, DIABETES AND ASTHMA.**

### **KIDS WITH CHP+ COVERAGE ARE MORE LIKELY TO:**

- Have a regular place to receive health care
- Avoid unnecessary hospitalizations
- Be able to learn in school, graduate from college and have higher incomes as adults

### **BACKGROUND**

Since its inception 20 years ago, Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+), Colorado's CHIP program, has been an integral part of Colorado's efforts to get children and pregnant women covered. CHP+ has a strong pediatric provider network and covers the services kids need to stay healthy. By bridging the gap for working families who wouldn't otherwise be able to afford private health insurance for their children, this program represents the difference between a healthy start and a childhood plagued with no preventive care, poor health, and poor performance in school. It's a strong program with a track record that has proved its value to our country, our state, Colorado's working families and, most importantly, the children and pregnant women it serves.



### **ALL KIDS COVERED SUPPORTS HCPF R-03 TO INCREASE STATE FUNDING FOR CHP+**

All Kids Covered is a broad and diverse coalition that represents child health advocates, family doctors, pediatricians, community clinics, hospitals and many others who have seen first-hand that CHP+ has made a genuine impact on tens of thousands of Colorado kids and their families as well as the pregnant women the program serves.

### **ANYTHING LESS THAN FULLY FUNDING CHP+ PUTS KIDS AND FAMILIES AT RISK**

While federal funding is guaranteed through FFY2027, CHP+'s success relies on continued state-level support. All Kids Covered urges the legislature to continue its tradition of investing in our children's health insurance coverage.

# THE REQUEST TO FULLY FUND CHP+ IS SUPPORTED BY THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS:

**American Academy of Pediatrics, Colorado Chapter**  
**Boulder County Public Health**  
**Children's Hospital Colorado**  
**Colorado Academy of Family Physicians**  
**Colorado Access**  
**Colorado Association for School-Based Health Care**  
**Colorado Center on Law and Policy**  
**Colorado Children's Campaign**  
**Colorado Children's Healthcare Access Program**  
**Colorado Consumer Health Initiative**  
**Colorado School Medicaid Consortium**  
**Concil for a Strong America**  
**Counties and Commissioners Acting Together**  
**Covering Kids and Families**  
**Delta Dental of Colorado**  
**Delta Dental of Colorado Foundation**  
**Jefferson County Public Health**  
**National Association of Social Workers, Colorado Chapter**  
**Sunrise Community Health**  
**Thrive Skilled Pediatric Care**  
**Tri-County Health Department**  
**Valley-Wide Health Systems, Inc.**



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All Kids Covered is a non-partisan coalition working to improve the well-being of Colorado's children through health care coverage. Since the fall of 2006, All Kids Covered has worked with policymakers, service providers, and other stakeholders to fight for comprehensive health coverage for all Colorado kids. [www.allkidscoveredcolorado.org](http://www.allkidscoveredcolorado.org)