

Californians for Healthy Kids

A growing number of California organizations are joining together in an effort to ensure that every child in our state has access to affordable health insurance. *The time is right and the goal is achievable.* Over the past few years, California has made great progress in making sure more children have insurance; now we can finish the job. Health insurance improves children's well-being and helps them reach their potential in school. Investing in comprehensive health insurance for children is cost-effective, promoting access to early, less costly preventive care and treatment.

Specifically, our goals are to:

- Create a strong private/public initiative in which all children living in California from birth to age 21 will have access to affordable health insurance coverage.
- Build upon what works in California's publicly-funded state insurance programs and reform what does not, including modernizing and simplifying how children get enrolled and stay enrolled in coverage.
- Create a statewide insurance system that leverages the lessons and successes of local children's health initiatives.
- Promote voluntary opportunities to strengthen employer participation in covering dependents.
- Develop sustainable financing that supports the system over the long term, including maximizing federal funding.
- Promote opportunities for children to access services under their health insurance coverage.
- Ensure a strong safety net as a vital component of access to care.
- Do no harm as these reforms are put in place.

Founding Organizations:

100% Campaign

Children Now
Children's Defense Fund California
The Children's Partnership

PICO California Project

Oakland Community Organizations
San Francisco Organizing Project
Peninsula Interfaith Action (San Mateo and North Santa Clara Counties)
People Acting in Community Together, San Jose
Contra Costa Interfaith Supporting Community Organization (Contra Costa County)
Congregations Organizing for Renewal (Southern Alameda County)
Berkeley Organizing Congregations for Action
Sacramento Area Congregations Together
North Valley Sponsoring Committee (Yolo, Colusa, and Sutter County)
People and Congregations Together for Stockton
Congregations Building Community, Modesto
Relational Culture Institute, Fresno County
Faith in Community, Fresno
Orange County Congregation Community Organization
Inland Congregations United for Change (Riverside/San Bernardino counties)
San Diego Organizing Project (San Diego city metro area)
Interfaith Community Organization, Greater Long Beach Area
Hollywood Interfaith Sponsoring Committee
Congregations for Civic Action (Escondido, Oceanside area, North San Diego County)
Community Voice Los Angeles (Los Angeles)

Supporters of the Goals of Californians for Healthy Kids:

Alameda Alliance for Health
American Academy of Pediatrics, California District
Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum
Blue Cross of California
Blue Shield of California
California Association Health Plans
California Children's Hospitals Association
California Church IMPACT
California Immigrant Welfare Collaborative
California Primary Care Association
California School Nurses Association
California Small Business Association
California State Parent Teacher Association
California Teachers Association
California Women Infants & Children Association
Children's Health Initiative of Greater Los Angeles
Children's Hospital Los Angeles, School-Based Health Program
Community Action Marin
Community Health Councils
Corona-Norco Unified School District
Cover the Kids by 2006, Sacramento County
Eisner Pediatric & Family Center, Los Angeles
First 5 Tulare County
Harmony Health
Health Access California
Health Net of California, Inc.
Health Solutions, LLC.
Healthy African American Families II
Healthy Kids of Santa Cruz County
Hollywood High School Healthy Start
Inland Empire Health Plan
Insure the Uninsured Project
JERICHO
Kaiser Permanente
Korean Resource Center, Los Angeles
LA Care Health Plan
Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce
Los Angeles Health Action
Latino Issues Forum
Local Health Plans of California
Marin County Board of Supervisors
Maternal and Child Health Access
Mendocino County Public Health Department
National Health Foundation
New Economics for Women
North Coast Clinics Network
Partnership Health Plan of California
Redwood Community Health Coalition
Sacramento County Office of Education
Santa Barbara County Public Health Department
Santa Clara County Children's Health Initiative

Santa Clara Family Health Plan
San Francisco Small Business Advocates
Small Business California
South Orange County and Community Health Enrichment
Collaborative Family Resource Centers/Mission Hospital
St Joseph Health System
St. Jude Medical Center
United Way of Central Coast
United Way of Santa Cruz County
United Way of Silicon Valley
United Way of Sonoma Mendocino Lake
United Way's Covering California's Children
Venice Family Clinic
Working Partnerships-USA