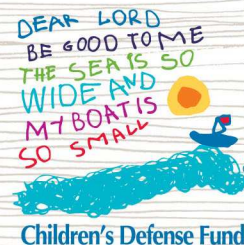


# Children's Defense Fund

## Health Coverage for All Children: Michigan

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### All Children Need Health Coverage that is Affordable, Comprehensive, and Simple.

#### Health Coverage for Michigan's Children:

- 143,000 children are uninsured (5.6% of all children).\*
- 1,007,755 children are enrolled in Medicaid.\*\*
- 67,763 children are enrolled in the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).\*\*\*

#### How affordable is health coverage for Michigan's children? †

- Children's eligibility is up to 200 percent of poverty (\$44,100 for a family of four).
- Medicaid eligibility is 185 percent of poverty (\$40,793) for children 0-1, and 150 percent of poverty (\$33,075) for children 1-19.

#### How simple are enrollment procedures in CHIP and Medicaid for Michigan's children?

- Simplification procedures:
  - 12-month continuous eligibility
  - Administrative verification of income
  - Presumptive eligibility
  - No face-to-face interview
  - No asset test
  - Joint application
- Barriers that remain:
  - 6 month waiting period

**Call your Member of Congress and tell them:** *Health reform needs to make sure that ALL children in Michigan and America have health coverage that is affordable, comprehensive, and simple. A pound sign (#) designates Members who serve on one or more of the committees that developed the health reform bills being considered in the House and Senate.*

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