Cover All Kids 2017: An Oregon Perspective

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Let’s truly cover all kids in 2017.
Good News in Oregon:

- 9% reduction in ER use by Medicaid patients by CCOs in 1 year
- Over 840,000 Oregon children are eligible for health coverage
- Since 2009, 100,000 uninsured kids have received coverage

AND YET...
17,600 Children are Excluded from Health Insurance Coverage

- Only 2% of Children in Oregon are not currently eligible for
# 25 Years of Covering All Kids

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Oregon Child Uninsurance Rate by Year,
Children at or below 300% of federal poverty level
WHY DOES HEALTH COVERAGE MATTER?
Education
Children who benefitted from Medicaid eligibility expansions were:

- 9.7% less likely to drop out of high school
- 5.5% more likely to graduate from college
CHRONIC HEALTH ISSUES ARE THE #1 CAUSE OF SCHOOL ABSENCES

- Kindergarten and 1st grade students with high absenteeism are unlikely to catch up with their peers’ test scores by the 5th grade.

- Chronically absent kids are more likely to drop out of school.

- Chronically absent 6th graders were more likely to be behind their peers in general achievement, math, and reading by 10th grade.

- Children who do not graduate have much greater health risks as adults.
Healthy Bodies Healthy Minds and Healthy Teeth
Economic Security
Better health status in childhood is associated with:

- Higher Incomes
- Higher Wealth
- More Weeks Worked
- Higher Income Growth Rate
Returns on Investment

**Increased Taxes**
- Each year of Medicaid eligibility from 0-18 increased tax payments in adulthood by $186 per person. 10
- These increases returned 1/3 of initial expansion costs by the time the child was 28. 10

**Increased Productivity**
- Earnings difference between healthy and unhealthy siblings can be as high as 24%. 11
- Providing health insurance to low-income children increases consumer spending per family on average by $800. 11
Health & Wellness
Children with access to Medicaid showed:

- 26% decline in high blood pressure as adults
- In NY, an over 50% decline in asthma treatments in the ER
- Healthier adolescents with lower rates of eating disorders, drinking and mortality
- Fewer ER visits and hospitalizations as adults
Cover All Kids in 2017

All Children Deserve to get the right care at the right time in the right setting.


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We Support Cover All Kids!

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Asian Health & Service Center
Cascade Aids Project
Euvalcree (Malheur County)
Elders in Action
Health Equity Circle
Health Care for All of Oregon

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Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization
Latinos Unidos Siempre
Latino Community Hispanic Council- (Clatsop County)

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