

For Children, Health Reform Must Follow One Simple Principle: FIX WHAT'S BROKEN & BUILD ON WHAT WORKS



A healthy America starts with healthy children. As Congress reforms our nation's health system, lawmakers must acknowledge the unique health needs of our young people by building upon Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) to achieve universal coverage for children.

- **Children Cannot be Left Worse Off**

Reform proposals must not eliminate CHIP and leave kids with fragmented coverage, fewer benefits, and higher cost sharing in new, untested health insurance exchanges.

- **All Children Must be Covered**

The American people support ensuring that all children have health coverage by an 87-11% margin.

- **Cover Kids from Head to Toe**

Health insurance must meet the unique needs of children by covering preventative care as well as their developmental, dental, and mental health care needs.



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"My view is that health care reform should be guided by a simple principle: Fix what's broken and build on what works. And that's what we intend to do."

-President Barack Obama, June 15, 2009 • Chicago, IL