



## Colorado State Project

Colorado Grantee  
Colorado Covering Kids Initiative

**GRANT AMOUNT:** \$1,000,000

**START DATE:** January 1, 1999

**INTERVENTION:** Schools  
Businesses  
CBO Training  
Head Start  
Child Care

**TARGET POPULATIONS:** Adolescents  
Providers

### Grant Overview

This grant initiative will help the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment find an answer to the riddle of why thousands of low-income Colorado families aren't taking advantage of low-cost or free health insurance available to their children. This insurance is available through Medicaid's Baby Care/Kids Care Program and the new Colorado Child Health Plan Plus. Half of the grant will be used to fund statewide outreach activities, and the other half will fund local pilot programs to explore ways of breaking down barriers to enrolling children in available health insurance programs.

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## Colorado Pilot Project

Denver

**INTERVENTION:** Schools  
Providers  
CBO Training

### Pilot Overview

This project will concentrate on decentralizing the enrollment process by: enabling collaborating agency support service staff to take and complete enrollment applications; creating a community resource for training, technical assistance and support for site-based application processing; reducing regulatory barriers by requesting waivers of policies that limit health care access; integrating the outreach and enrollment processes with student health care coordination and case management at select school-based health centers; and co-locating Department of Social Services staff at school-based health centers to enroll children using the single application process that will be implemented through the statewide strategy.

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## Colorado Pilot Project

Adams County

**INTERVENTION:** CBO Training  
Single Point of Entry

### **Pilot Overview**

This project will work to design and conduct outreach programs that will: identify and enroll eligible children into Medicaid and other health coverage programs; enhance the collaboration of agencies in the community to facilitate enrollment; and simplify access to health care coverage.

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## Colorado Pilot Project

Prowers County

**INTERVENTION:** Providers  
Door-to-door

**TARGET POPULATIONS:** Immigrant

### Pilot Overview

This project will conduct outreach throughout the community targeting parents of eligible and potentially eligible children. Interested families will receive assistance in completing the application process. A key component of this pilot will be follow-up activities designed to ensure that families were successfully enrolled.

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