



Mississippi Covering Kids & Families Initiative

GRANT OVERVIEW

The Office of the Governor, Division of Medicaid (DOM), has been designated by a Statewide Coalition to be the lead agency for preparing and administering the State's *Covering Kids & Families* grant. It is appropriate for this agency to coordinate these efforts since it is already the agency responsible for administering not only Medicaid but the SCHIP program as well. This Statewide Coalition has roots in the Children's Health Matters Improving Linkages Task Force. To assure a new beginning and to assure this Coalition has an independent voice from Children's Health Matters and from the DOM (Lead Agency), this Coalition has elected its own independent chair and has approved and is functioning under a separate set of by-laws. The goals of this Health Initiative Support Grant are: 1) to conduct and coordinate outreach programs; 2) to simplify the enrollment and renewal process; 3) to coordinate existing state and local health care coverage programs; 4) and to create strategies and activities to remedy the current state of affairs which keep so many eligible children in Mississippi lacking health care.

GRANT AMOUNT

Children: \$900,000

START DATE

September 1, 2002

END DATE

August 31, 2006

TARGET POPULATIONS

Adults
African Americans
Latino/Hispanic Americans
Rural families

INTERVENTIONS

Business
Community-based organizations
Electronic application
Schools

LEAD ORGANIZATION

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Local Projects in Mississippi

Hinds County Health Alliance (HCHA)
MS Forum on Children and Families



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Hinds County Health Alliance (HCHA) – The HCHA has developed an integrated community based health care delivery system for the uninsured. This system will screen for Mississippi Health Benefits (Medicaid and SCHIP) programs.

TARGET POPULATIONS

Adolescents
African Americans
Immigrant families
Latino/Hispanic Americans

INTERVENTIONS

LOCAL ORGANIZATION

Hinds County Health Alliance (HCHA)

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MS Forum on Children and Families

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MS Forum on Children and Families - Expertise and lessons learned from working with the Covering Kids grant project in Desoto County will be expanded to three additional counties.

TARGET POPULATIONS

Adolescents
African Americans
Immigrant families
Latino/Hispanic Americans
Preschool children and their parents
Rural families

INTERVENTIONS

Application assister
Child care/preschool site
Community-based organizations
Electronic application
Faith based sites
Incentive payment
Outstation worker
Providers
Education administration
Social marketing
Training/presentation
Schools
Procedural change for Renewal
Retail Site

LOCAL ORGANIZATION

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