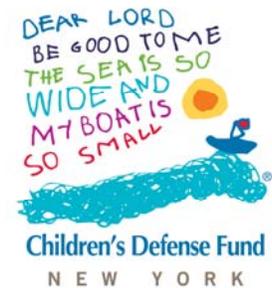


# Health Coverage for Children



**Children's Medicaid**, also called Child Health Plus A, is a free, comprehensive insurance program for low-income children under the age of 19 living in New York State. There are no co-payments or premiums for Child Health Plus A.

**Child Health Plus B** is a free or low-cost health insurance program for children. Every uninsured child under the age of 19 living in New York is eligible, regardless of immigration status. A monthly premium may be required, based on family income.

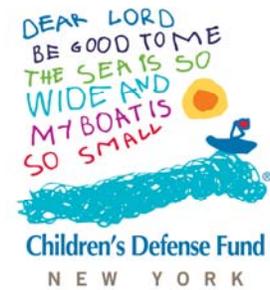
## Who is eligible for Children's Medicaid and Child Health Plus B?

Eligibility	Requirement	Proof
<b>Age/Identity</b>	Under the age of 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Birth certificate</li> <li>• Baptismal certificate</li> <li>• Official photo I.D.</li> <li>• Driver's license</li> <li>• Passport</li> <li>• Official school records</li> </ul>
<b>Residency</b>	New York State resident (no minimum length of time required)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Official I.D. with address</li> <li>• Utility bill</li> <li>• Bank statement</li> <li>• Lease or letter from landlord</li> <li>• Official school records</li> <li>• Postmarked envelope</li> </ul>
<b>Citizenship/Immigration Status</b>	<p><i>Children's Medicaid:</i> U.S. citizen, legally residing immigrant, or immigrant considered to be Permanently Residing Under Color of Law (PRUCOL*)</p> <p><i>Child Health Plus B:</i> NO citizenship or immigration requirements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Birth Certificate</li> <li>• Passport</li> <li>• Legal Permanent Residency card ("green card")</li> <li>• Naturalization Certificate</li> <li>• Employment Authorization Card or other USCIS forms.</li> </ul>
<b>Income</b>	Income must fall at or below the levels listed on the following page	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paycheck stubs (last four consecutive weeks)</li> <li>• Letter from employer</li> <li>• Signed income tax return</li> <li>• Benefit checks</li> <li>• Award letter (letter from government agencies, i.e., Social Security or Unemployment)</li> </ul>
<b>Health Coverage</b>	Not allowed to have other health insurance. Children enrolled in employer-sponsored coverage must go 6 months without health insurance before they can enroll in Child Health Plus B.	

\* PRUCOL: Government knows that the person is in the U.S. and has not done anything to deport him/her. This includes people who have a working permit, have filed an application for Temporary Protected Status, and have filed an application to adjust their status.

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### Children's Medicaid – Monthly Income Levels

This chart is only a guide. Families with incomes above these levels may still be eligible and should be referred to an enrollment counselor.

Family Size/Household	1	2	3	4	5	Each Additional Child
Children <1 year	\$1,805	\$2,429	\$3,052	\$3,675	\$4,299	+\$624
Children 1-5 years	\$1,201	\$1,615	\$2,030	\$2,444	\$2,859	+\$415
Children 6-18 years	\$903	\$1,215	\$1,526	\$1,838	\$2,150	+\$312

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### Child Health Plus B – Monthly Income Levels

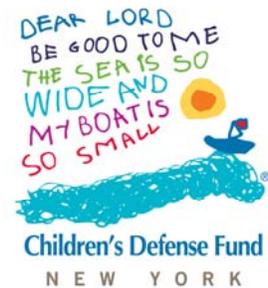
Depending on income, Child Health Plus B is free for some families while others have to pay a small monthly premium. Families with higher incomes may also participate in Child Health Plus B at the full premium level.

Family Size / Household \$ Amount=per child per month (max \$ per family)	1	2	3	4	5	Each Additional Child
Free Insurance	\$1,443	\$1,942	\$2,441	\$2,939	\$3,438	\$499
\$9 (max \$27)	\$2,004	\$2,696	\$3,388	\$4,080	\$4,772	\$692
\$15 (max \$45)	\$2,257	\$3,036	\$3,815	\$4,594	\$5,373	\$780
\$30 (max \$90)	\$2,708	\$3,643	\$4,578	\$5,513	\$6,448	\$935
\$45 (max \$135)	\$3,159	\$4,250	\$5,341	\$6,432	\$7,523	\$1,091
\$60 (max \$180)	\$3,610	\$4,857	\$6,104	\$7,350	\$8,597	\$1,247
Full premium per child per month*	More than \$3,610	More than \$4,857	More than \$6,104	More than \$7,350	More than \$8,597	

\*Full premiums vary by the plan selected. There is no family maximum.

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### Benefits

Both children's programs provide health coverage for a wide range of medical services including regular doctor visits, vaccinations, hospital care, emergency care, prescription drugs, lab tests and X-rays, eye glasses, speech and language services, mental health services, durable medical equipment, dental services, home health care, and much more.

### Medicaid Spend-down Program

Children with special health care needs may qualify for the Medicaid Spend-down Program, even if their family income is above the Medicaid level. Individuals with ongoing medical expenses may be able to deduct these expenses from their income making them eligible for Medicaid.

### How to Sign Up for Medicaid or Child Health Plus B

Sign up through a facilitated enroller. Facilitated enrollers help collect the right documents, fill out an application and make sure the application is processed.

### Renew Coverage Every Year

Health Insurance coverage must be renewed every year. Before the year is over, participants will be mailed a form and instructions explaining how to renew. Coverage can be renewed through the mail, with a facilitated enroller program or online (New York City only). Individuals are *not* required to send documents for proof of income or residency, even if it has changed. It is important to follow all the directions in the renewal package and return it by the date listed on their form. Coverage may be lost if not renewed on time.

**For more information about Child Health Plus, or to find an enroller in your area, call the toll-free hotline:**

**(877) 698-4543 or (877)898-5849 (TTY line for hearing impaired)**