

OHIO TITLE XXI STATE PROGRAM FACT SHEET

Name of Plan: **Healthy Start**

Date Plan Submitted: December 23, 1997

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Effective Date: January 1, 1998

Date Amendment #1 Submitted: April 7, 2000

Date Amendment #1 Approved: July 7, 2000

Date Amendment #1 Effective: July 1, 2000

Date Amendment #2 Submitted: June 20, 2002

Date Amendment #2 Approved: September 18, 2002

Date Amendment #2 Effective: July 1, 2000

Date Amendment #3 Submitted: February 15, 2008

Date Amendment #3 Withdrawn: December 18, 2008

Date Amendment #3 Effective: April 1, 2008

Date Amendment #4 Submitted: June 26, 2008

Date Amendment #4 Approved: October 19, 2008

Date Amendment #4 Effective: January 1, 2009

Date Amendment #5 Submitted: March 30, 2010

Date Amendment #5 Approved: July 7, 2010

Date Amendment #5 Effective: April 1, 2010

Background

- On December 23, 1997, Ohio submitted a Title XXI Plan for providing expanded benefits under the state's Medicaid Title XIX Plan. The state proposed to expand Medicaid eligibility to children up to age 19 from families with incomes at or below 150 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). Eligible children will receive the full Medicaid benefit package. All Medicaid program policies apply.

Amendments

- Ohio submitted its first amendment on April 7, 2000. This amendment expands its Medicaid Healthy Start program to cover uninsured children up to age 19 in families with incomes between 150 and 200 percent of the FPL and simplifies the application procedures, including lengthening the re-determination period to every 12 months.

- Ohio submitted its second amendment on June 20, 2002. This amendment updates and amends the SCHIP state plan to indicate the State's compliance with the final SCHIP regulations.
- Ohio submitted its third amendment on February 15, 2008. This amendment expands eligibility for optional targeted low-income children with net incomes above 200 percent up to and including 250 percent of the FPL. This amendment was withdrawn on December 18, 2008.
- Ohio submitted its fourth amendment on June 26, 2008. This amendment expands eligibility to optional targeted low-income children with net incomes above 200 percent up to and including 300 percent of the FPL.
- Ohio submitted its fifth amendment on March 30, 2010. This amendment implements continuous eligibility and presumptive eligibility. The State is planning to apply for a CHIPRA Bonus Payment. With the addition of continuous eligibility and presumptive eligibility the State has met 5 of the 8 qualifying criteria to apply for a Bonus Payment.

Children Covered Under the Program

- The State reported that 265,680 children were ever enrolled in its program during Federal fiscal year 2009.

Administration

- The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) administers this Medicaid expansion program. Outreach is provided jointly through the Ohio Department of Health and the Ohio Department of Human Services.

Health Care Delivery System

- Once eligibility is determined, a card is issued for fee-for-service (FFS) coverage. In mandatory managed care counties, eligibles receive notice that they must join a managed care plan (MCP), or they will be assigned to one. In voluntary managed care counties, eligibles are informed that they may choose or enroll in an MCP or remain in the FFS system.

Benefit Package

- The current Medicaid benefit package is provided.

Cost Sharing

- There is no cost sharing.

Outreach Activities

- The State's approach to outreach has been strategic and specifically targeted in order to maximize results. The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) provides support and outreach efforts.
- Support of Federal Initiatives – ODJFS provides state level outreach support to the Insure Kids Now initiative.
- Coalitions – The State participates in a number of health coalitions on both statewide and local levels, e.g., the Covering Kids and Families Coalition and several local children's health coalitions.
- County Outreach – The State coordinates outreach efforts with the 88 counties through Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act enhanced Federal matching funds.
- Schools – ODJFS has formed a statewide School-Based Outreach Workgroup with representation from a variety of organizations, e.g., school/educational associations, child health advocates, and the Ohio Departments of Education and Health.
- Community Events – ODJFS provides outreach support to events such as Minority Health Month, Black Family Day, the Ohio State Fair, the Ohio Department of Health's Birth to 3 Conference, and Women's Health Month.

Financial Information

Total FFY '10 Allotment - \$298,650,167

FFY'10 Enhanced Federal Matching Rate – 74.39%

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