

**VERMONT TITLE XXI PROGRAM &
TITLE XXI AMENDMENT FACT SHEET**

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Background

- Vermont's Title XXI plan created a separate child health program to cover children under age 18 in families with incomes between 225 and 300 percent of the Federal poverty level (FPL). Vermont's Medicaid Program covers uninsured children up to 225 percent of the FPL, and underinsured children up to 300 percent of the FPL. (The State's section 1115 demonstration, the Vermont Health Access Plan, was amended on November 6, 1998, to expand coverage to underinsured children up to 300 percent of the FPL.) This program is funded under Medicaid at the regular Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP).

Amendments

- Vermont submitted its first amendment on June 9, 1999. This amendment increased monthly premiums.
- Vermont submitted its second amendment on December 1, 1999. This amendment implemented a primary care case management (PCCM) delivery system. The PCCM delivery system is the same as that used under the State's approved section 1115 demonstration.
- Vermont submitted its third amendment on June 20, 2000. This amendment further increased premiums in the program. This amendment also exempts American Indian/Alaskan Native (AI/AN) children from cost sharing.
- Vermont submitted its fourth amendment on June 28, 2002. This amendment updates and amends the SCHIP state plan to indicate the State's compliance with the final SCHIP regulations.
- Vermont submitted its fifth amendment on August 15, 2003. This amendment increases the monthly premiums per household. The premiums increased for children family incomes from 225 through 300 percent FPL from \$50 to \$70 per family per month.
- Vermont submitted its sixth amendment on April 14, 2004. This amendment changes premium billing from a quarterly retrospective process to a monthly prospective process. Families now pay a monthly premium prior to the month of coverage rather than a quarterly payment after the quarter of coverage.
- Vermont submitted its seventh amendment on August 28, 2005. This amendment increases the monthly SCHIP premiums from \$70 up to \$80 per family to cover all eligible children in the family.
- Vermont submitted its eighth amendment on September 26, 2007. This amendment decreases the monthly SCHIP premiums from \$80 to \$40 per family regardless of the number of children. The decrease is effective from July 1, 2007 through June

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30, 2008. Effective July 1, 2008 the monthly SCHIP premiums increase from \$40 to \$60 per family regardless of the number of children.

Children Covered Under Program

- Vermont reported 6,132 children ever enrolled in SCHIP during FFY 2007.

Administration

- The Title XXI Program is administered by the Department for Children and Families, Economic Services Division, which also administers Vermont's Medicaid program.

Health Care Delivery System

- Health services to children under Vermont's Title XXI plan were originally provided by the two MCOs providing services under the State's approved comprehensive Medicaid health care reform demonstration, the Vermont Health Access Plan (VHAP). With the withdrawal of one of the two MCOs and the anticipated exit of the other, the State converted to a PCCM model with fee-for-service reimbursement through demonstration amendments approved by CMS on September 29, 1999, and October 28, 1999. The amendment to the Title XXI plan submitted on December 1, 1999, implemented the PCCM model for targeted low-income children under SCHIP.

Benefit Package

- The package of services for the Title XXI program is the same benefit package currently provided through Vermont's Medicaid program.

Cost Sharing

- All SCHIP families pay monthly premiums of **\$60** per family to cover all eligible children in the family regardless of the number of children in the family.

Coordination Between Separate Child Health Program and Medicaid

- Vermont determines eligibility for SCHIP using the same system it uses for the Medicaid program; eligibility determination for SCHIP and Medicaid are fully integrated.

Crowd-Out Strategy

- Applicants who had health insurance coverage within 1 month of the date of eligibility determination for the SCHIP program will not be eligible unless the insurance is lost during this period because of loss of employment, death or divorce, or loss of eligibility for coverage as a dependent under a policy held by a parent.

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Outreach Activities

- Outreach for the SCHIP program is integrated with existing outreach activities for the Medicaid program. Such activities include: a multi-media campaign, including print, brochures, and flyers; outreach through community groups and; educational sessions in community locations, and a toll-free telephone line which individuals can call to learn about the program.

Financial Information

Total FFY 2009 SCHIP Allotment -- \$5,157,513
FFY 2009 Enhanced Federal Matching Rate -- 71.62%

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