

Continuous Coverage

Bridges to Success: Keystones of Health for Pennsylvania

The goal of multi-year continuous coverage for children under six years of age is to **lay a strong foundation for lifelong health by ensuring consistent access to healthcare during these crucial early years.**

The early years of a child's life are pivotal for their long-term health and development. Research consistently shows that access to healthcare during this period significantly impacts overall well-being.* The proposed continuous eligibility coverage aims to promote uninterrupted access to essential healthcare services, setting the stage for a healthier and more prosperous future.

COVERAGE

- Children won't lose their Medicaid coverage for failure to submit forms or a change in household circumstances.
- This starts when a child first gets Medicaid coverage. It lasts until the end of the month when they turn six.



This document summarizes information from a proposed five-year demonstration program. All content is preliminary and subject to approval by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.



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