



California Kids (CalKids)

California Kids is a private, non-profit program that provides low cost preventive and primary health care benefits to children ages 2-18.

Who is eligible?

- Any child age 2 thru age 18. Children must not be married, must reside full time with applying parent/guardian, and if school age, must be enrolled and attending school.
- Children may be enrolled in California Children's Services for specialty care and be eligible for California Kids for basic outpatient services.

What is the income limit?

- There is no income limit.

What does it cost?

- The monthly premium is \$49.00 per child plus a one time processing fee of \$10.00.
- All children have co-payments of \$10.00-\$100.00 depending on the service provided by California Kids. All services have a co-payment, including preventive care.
- Dental co-payments range between \$3.00 and \$110.00.

What is the resource limit? (What if the family has a car/house?)

- Resources, things that the family owns, like cars, houses, and jewelry, or savings accounts, do not count in this program.

Does immigration status matter?

- The application asks for the child's Social Security Number (SSN). However, children without a SSN are still eligible.

What papers are needed to apply?

- Only a completed application.

Where can families apply?

- Call 1-818-755-9700 to have an application mailed or on line at www.californiakids.org/applicationinfofrm.html.
- Families may also apply through community associations and assistors.

How long does it take to get?

- Typically it takes two to four weeks after California Kids receives the application. However, sometimes CalKids stops taking applications. Always call first to see whether CalKids is currently accepting applications.**What benefits do children get?**
- Comprehensive preventive and primary care coverage: medical office visits, dental care, prescription drugs, mental health services, X- ray and laboratory tests, out-patient hospital services, ambulance services, emergency room services with a limit of \$1000.00 per year.
- Hospitalizations and major surgery are not covered.

How and where do children get services or more information on the program?

- Medical care is through Anthem Blue Cross
- Dental care is through SafeGuard.
- Behavioral health is through the Holman Group.
- Call 1-818-755-9700 and ask for a list of providers in the family's area.

What if the family has other health insurance?

- Children may have other health coverage and apply for California Kids.

What should be done if a child has a problem getting services?

- Call California Kids at 1-818-755-9700 or call the **Health Consumer Center at 1-800-896-3203** or **Maternal and Child Health Access at 1-213-749-4261.**