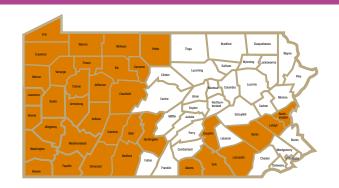




# Frequently Asked Questions

#### What is the UPMC for Kids service area?

We serve 35 counties in Pennsylvania:
Adams, Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Bedford, Berks,
Blair, Butler, Cambria, Cameron, Clarion, Clearfield,
Crawford, Dauphin, Elk, Erie, Fayette, Forest, Greene,
Huntingdon, Indiana, Jefferson, Lancaster, Lawrence,
Lehigh, McKean, Mercer, Northampton, Potter, Somerset,
Venango, Warren, Washington, Westmoreland, and York.



## Who gets CHIP coverage?

Uninsured children (younger than 19 years old) who are not eligible for or enrolled in Medical Assistance. Kids need health insurance, but there are a lot of reasons they might not have it. Maybe a parent lost a job or doesn't have health insurance at work, or maybe it costs too much.

# Are children with pre-existing conditions eligible?

Yes. There are no exclusions for pre-existing conditions in CHIP or Medical Assistance. However, if your child has a <u>serious medical condition</u> or disability, he or she may be considered for Medical Assistance.

## Whose income should I include on the application?

CHIP has rules about who is included when determining eligibility. Give information, including income, for anyone who lives with you. Also anyone who you expect to be included on your tax return — even if they do not live with you.

For more information, call UPMC for Kids at 1-800-978-8762.

## Will the health care reform law (ACA) change CHIP coverage?

Some changes took place in 2014. These changes affect income eligibility for CHIP and for Medical Assistance for children younger than 19 years old. Some children who previously qualified for free CHIP will now qualify for Medical Assistance.

# Does CHIP have a waiting list?

No. There is no waiting list to enroll in CHIP.

#### How long do children stay covered?

If children continue to meet CHIP's eligibility requirements, they can be covered up to age 19. Eligibility is reviewed once a year.

#### How can I renew coverage?

Ready to renew UPMC *for Kids* coverage for your child? Call us at **1-800-978-8762** and we can help you get started. To submit your renewal online, visit the <u>COMPASS</u> website. You can also print our UPMC *for Kids* renewal form below.

Call 1-800-978-8762 with any questions. We're happy to help!

Print Renewal Form

## Where can I find more information about the CHIP program?

Read more about CHIP on these websites:

- www.chipcoverspakids.com
- www.compass.state.pa.us.

You can also call UPMC for Kids at 1-800-978-8762 or email us your questions.