

1 **CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE AMENDMENTS**

2 2021 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Chief Sponsor: Douglas R. Welton**

5 Senate Sponsor: _____

7 **LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9 This bill creates the Children's Health Care Coverage Program.

10 **Highlighted Provisions:**

11 This bill:

- 12 ▶ amends provisions relating to outreach to promote health insurance coverage for
13 children;
- 14 ▶ creates the Children's Health Care Coverage Program;
- 15 ▶ describes the purposes of the program created in this bill;
- 16 ▶ creates the Children's Health Care Coverage Program Restricted Account; and
- 17 ▶ establishes a sunset date.

18 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

19 This bill appropriates in fiscal year 2022:

- 20 ▶ to General Fund Restricted – Children's Health Care Coverage Program Restricted
21 Account, as an ongoing appropriation:
- 22 • from the General Fund, Ongoing, \$172,500.
- 23 ▶ to Department of Health – Children's Health Insurance Program, as an ongoing
24 appropriation:
- 25 • from the General Fund Restricted – Children's Health Care Coverage Program
26 Restricted Account, Ongoing, \$172,500.

27 **Other Special Clauses:**



28 None

29 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

30 AMENDS:

31 **26-18-15**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 390

32 **63I-1-226**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapters 19, 154, 172, 181, 221,
33 232, 303, 347, and 429

34 ENACTS:

35 **26-18-27**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



37 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

38 Section 1. Section **26-18-15** is amended to read:

39 **26-18-15. Process to promote health insurance coverage for children.**

40 (1) The department, in collaboration with the Department of Workforce Services~~;~~ and
41 the State Board of Education, ~~[and the department shall: (a) collaborate with one another to]~~
42 shall develop a process to promote health insurance coverage for a child in school when:

43 ~~[(i)]~~ (a) the child applies for free or reduced price school lunch;

44 ~~[(ii)]~~ (b) a child enrolls in or registers in school; and

45 ~~[(iii)]~~ (c) other appropriate school related opportunities~~;~~.

46 ~~[(b) report to the Legislature on the development of the process under Subsection (1)(a)~~
47 ~~no later than November 19, 2008; and]~~

48 ~~[(c) implement the process developed under Subsection (1)(a) no later than the~~
49 ~~2009-10 school year.]~~

50 (2) The department, in collaboration with the Department of Workforce Services, shall
51 promote and facilitate the enrollment of children identified under Subsection (1)~~[(a)]~~ without
52 health insurance in the Utah Children's Health Insurance Program, the Medicaid program, or
53 the Utah Premium Partnership for Health Insurance Program.

54 Section 2. Section **26-18-27** is enacted to read:

55 **26-18-27. Children's Health Care Coverage Program -- Restricted Account.**

56 (1) As used in this section:

57 (a) "Account" means the Children's Health Care Coverage Program Restricted Account
58 created in Subsection (4).

59 (b) "CHIP" means the Children's Health Insurance Program created in Section
60 26-40-103.

61 (c) "Program" means the Children's Health Care Coverage Program created in
62 Subsection (2).

63 (2) (a) There is created the Children's Health Care Coverage Program within the
64 department.

65 (b) The purpose of the program is to:

66 (i) promote health insurance coverage for children in accordance with Section
67 26-18-15;

68 (ii) conduct research regarding families who are eligible for Medicaid and CHIP to
69 determine awareness and understanding of available coverage;

70 (iii) analyze trends in disenrollment and identify reasons that families may not be
71 renewing enrollment, including any barriers in the process of renewing enrollment;

72 (iv) administer surveys to recently enrolled CHIP and children's Medicaid enrollees to
73 identify:

74 (A) how the enrollees learned about coverage; and

75 (B) any barriers during the application process;

76 (v) develop promotional material regarding CHIP and children's Medicaid eligibility,
77 including outreach through social media, video production, and other media platforms;

78 (vi) identify ways that the eligibility website for enrollment in CHIP and children's
79 Medicaid can be redesigned to increase accessibility and enhance the user experience;

80 (vii) identify outreach opportunities, including partnerships with community
81 organizations including:

82 (A) schools;

83 (B) small businesses;

84 (C) unemployment centers;

85 (D) parent-teacher associations; and

86 (E) youth athlete clubs and associations; and

87 (viii) develop messaging to increase awareness of coverage options that are available
88 through the department.

89 (3) (a) The program shall be funded solely with:

- 90 (i) money from the account; and
91 (ii) any federal matching funds that may be available through money from the account.
92 (b) The department may not delegate implementation of the program to a private entity.
93 (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (3)(b), the department may contract with a media
94 agency to conduct the activities described in Subsection (2)(b)(iv) and (vii).
95 (4) (a) There is created a restricted account within the General Fund known as the
96 "Children's Health Insurance Coverage Program Restricted Account."
97 (b) The restricted account consists of:
98 (i) money appropriated to the restricted account by the Legislature;
99 (ii) private donations; and
100 (iii) all income and interest derived from the deposit and investment of money in the
101 account.
102 (c) Subject to legislative appropriations, money in the restricted account may only be
103 used to fund activities related to the program.
104 Section 3. Section **63I-1-226** is amended to read:
105 **63I-1-226. Repeal dates, Title 26.**
106 (1) Subsection [26-1-7\(1\)\(f\)](#), related to the Residential Child Care Licensing Advisory
107 Committee, is repealed July 1, 2024.
108 (2) Subsection [26-1-7\(1\)\(h\)](#), related to the Primary Care Grant Committee, is repealed
109 July 1, 2025.
110 (3) Section [26-1-7.5](#), which creates the Utah Health Advisory Council, is repealed July
111 1, 2025.
112 (4) Section [26-1-40](#) is repealed July 1, 2022.
113 (5) Section [26-1-41](#) is repealed July 1, 2026.
114 (6) Section [26-7-10](#) is repealed July 1, 2025.
115 (7) Subsection [26-7-11\(5\)](#), regarding reports to the Legislature, is repealed July 1,
116 2028.
117 (8) Section [26-7-14](#) is repealed December 31, 2027.
118 (9) Title 26, Chapter 9f, Utah Digital Health Service Commission Act, is repealed July
119 1, 2025.
120 (10) Subsection [26-10-6\(5\)](#), which creates the Newborn Hearing Screening Committee,

- 121 is repealed July 1, 2026.
- 122 (11) Section [26-10-11](#) is repealed July 1, 2025.
- 123 (12) Section [26-10b-106](#), which creates the Primary Care Grant Committee, is repealed
124 July 1, 2025.
- 125 (13) Section [26-18-27](#) is repealed July 1, 2025.
- 126 ~~[(13)]~~ (14) Title 26, Chapter 18, Part 2, Drug Utilization Review Board, is repealed
127 July 1, 2027.
- 128 ~~[(14) Subsection [26-18-417](#)(3) relating to a report to the Health and Human services
129 Interim Committee is repealed July 1, 2020.]~~
- 130 (15) Subsection [26-18-418](#)(2), the language that states "and the Behavioral Health
131 Crisis Response Commission created in Section [63C-18-202](#)" is repealed July 1, 2023.
- 132 (16) Title 26, Chapter 18a, Kurt Oscarson Children's Organ Transplant Coordinating
133 Committee, is repealed July 1, 2021.
- 134 (17) Section [26-33a-117](#) is repealed on December 31, 2023.
- 135 (18) Title 26, Chapter 33a, Utah Health Data Authority Act, is repealed July 1, 2024.
- 136 (19) Title 26, Chapter 36b, Inpatient Hospital Assessment Act, is repealed July 1,
137 2024.
- 138 (20) Title 26, Chapter 36c, Medicaid Expansion Hospital Assessment Act, is repealed
139 July 1, 2024.
- 140 (21) Title 26, Chapter 36d, Hospital Provider Assessment Act, is repealed July 1, 2024.
- 141 (22) Section [26-39-201](#), which creates the Residential Child Care Licensing Advisory
142 Committee, is repealed July 1, 2024.
- 143 (23) Section [26-40-104](#), which creates the Utah Children's Health Insurance Program
144 Advisory Council, is repealed July 1, 2025.
- 145 (24) Section [26-50-202](#), which creates the Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory
146 Committee, is repealed July 1, 2025.
- 147 (25) Title 26, Chapter 54, Spinal Cord and Brain Injury Rehabilitation Fund and
148 Pediatric Neuro-Rehabilitation Fund, is repealed January 1, 2025.
- 149 (26) Title 26, Chapter 63, Nurse Home Visiting Pay-for-Success Program, is repealed
150 July 1, 2026.
- 151 (27) Title 26, Chapter 66, Early Childhood Utah Advisory Council, is repealed July 1,

152 2026.

153 Section 4. **Appropriation.**

154 The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
155 2021, and ending June 30, 2022. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for
156 fiscal year 2022.

157 Subsection 4(a). **Restricted Fund and Account Transfers.**

158 The Legislature authorizes the State Division of Finance to transfer the following
159 amounts between the following funds or accounts as indicated. Expenditures and outlays from
160 the funds to which the money is transferred must be authorized by an appropriation.

161 ITEM 1

162 To General Fund Restricted -- Children's Health Care Coverage Program Restricted
163 Account

164 From General Fund, Ongoing \$172,500

165 Schedule of Programs:

166 General Fund Restricted -- Children's Health Care

167 Coverage Program Restricted Account \$172,500

168 Subsection 4(b). **Operating and Capital Budgets.**

169 Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures Act, the
170 Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts indicated for
171 the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.

172 ITEM 2

173 To Department of Health -- Children's Health Insurance Program

174 From General Fund Restricted -- Children's Health Care

175 Coverage Program Restricted Account, Ongoing \$172,500

176 Schedule of Programs:

177 Children's Health Care Coverage Program \$172,500