Incorporating Connecting Kids to Coverage National Campaign Resources into Outreach

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Agenda

• Overview and Introductions
• Navigating InsureKidsNow.gov
• An Overview of Connecting Kids to Coverage National Campaign Resources
• Campaign Messaging to Promote Medicaid & CHIP
• Extending Audience Reach with Social Media
• Optimizing Campaign Materials in Outreach and Enrollment Efforts
• Questions and Answers
Poll Question: Has your organization used materials and resources from InsureKidsNow.gov?

a. Yes  
b. No  
c. Not familiar with the website
Navigating InsureKidsNow.gov & An Overview of Connecting Kids to Coverage National Campaign Resources

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InsureKidsNow.gov Site Tutorial

• Quick tutorial of what you can find on InsureKidsNow.gov

Key Areas

• Learn About Medicaid/CHIP
• Find Programs in Your State
• Outreach Tool Library
• Webinars & Videos
• “Campaign Notes” eNewsletter
• Campaigns & Initiatives
Finding Resources on InsureKidsNow.gov

Find materials in the Outreach Tool Library or by choosing a Campaign & Initiative topic on the Campaign website.
Outreach Tool Library

- Online Materials
- Print Materials
- Toolkits
- Tip Sheets
- Fact Sheets
- Public Service Announcements

[Image: Kids running in a field]

[Logo: InsureKidsNow.gov]
Examples of Material Topics

• Year-round Enrollment
• Oral Health
• Vision
• Teens
• Sports
Online Materials

- Social Media Graphics
- Web Buttons & Banners
- Sample Posts
- #Enroll365 & #KidsEnroll
- Guide
Print Materials

- Posters
- Palmcards
- Flyers
- Direct Mail Inserts
- Tear-Pads
- Ready-Made Articles
Sample Print Materials

An extra hand for parents with their hands full

Now, you have one less thing to worry about. Medicaid and CHIP offer free or low-cost health insurance for kids and teens. Children can get regular check-ups, immunizations, doctor and dentist visits, hospital care, mental health services, prescriptions and more. Children in a family of four earning up to $48,600 a year or more may qualify.

Go to HealthCare.gov or call 1-800-318-2596 (TTY: 1-855-889-4325) to learn more about affordable health coverage for your family.

With health insurance, they'll be ready for whatever the school year brings.

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Customizing Materials
Posters, Flyers, Palmcards and Tear-Pads

You may choose to insert your program name(s), your state’s annual income eligibility limit for a family of four, your website address and/or phone number, and up to two logos.

Please Note: You may request these changes on all customizable materials.

Your program name(s)

Your state’s annual income eligibility limit for a family/household of four

Your website and/or phone number

Up to two logos

Learn how to request material customization here:
Toolkits

• School-Based Outreach and Enrollment
• Get Covered. Get in the Game “Game Plan”
“Making Outreach Work” Tip Sheets

• Ideas for engagement with:
  – Local Businesses
  – Faith Community
  – Schools
  – Primary Care Associations & Community Health Centers

• Additional ideas:
  – Social Media
  – Oral Health Tools
  – Campaign Outreach Videos
Additional Tools

• Fact Sheets
  • Get Covered. Get In the Game.
  • Dental Care for Children with Special Needs

• Public Service Announcements
  • PSA Pitch Letter
  • Live Read Radio Scripts
  • PSA Tip Sheet
Outreach Video Library

- Showcases A Variety of Promising Practices
  - Oral Health (Pennsylvania)
  - Back-to-School (Florida)
  - Engaging Local Businesses (Texas)
  - Working with Tribes (Montana)
- Ideas for Using Videos in Outreach

Webinar and eNewsletter Archive

• Check out our archive of webinars and eNewsletters all the way to 2013.
• Topics include:
  • Oral Health
  • Back-to-School
  • Teen Outreach
  • Engaging Non-Traditional Partners
  • Increasing Medicaid/CHIP Enrollment in Hispanic Communities
  • Strategies for Building Media Relationships
  • Promoting Medicaid/CHIP during Marketplace Open Enrollment

https://www.insurekidsnow.gov/newsletter/index.html
Thank you!

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Poll Question: What type of resources are you planning to use for your Back-to-School outreach and enrollment efforts?

a. Digital Resources
b. Palmcards & Posters
c. Toolkits/Tip Sheets
d. Videos
e. Webinars
Research on Campaign Messaging to Promote Medicaid & CHIP

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Research Objectives

1. To gain a better understanding of the characteristics that define the target audience—parents of Medicaid or CHIP-eligible (Children’s Health Insurance Program), but unenrolled children—as well as:
   • Perceived barriers and benefits to enrollment;
   • Consumer awareness and understanding of Medicaid and the CHIP program (including eligibility and enrollment processes)
   • Perceived relevance, appeal and importance of Medicaid and the CHIP program.

2. To determine the most effective messaging for the target audience to motivate them to go to InsureKidsNow.gov to see if their children are eligible for Medicaid and/or CHIP
Methods

• Three different studies:
  – Formative Research with Parents
    • 18 eight-person focus groups, half in Spanish, half in English, split evenly over 3 markets (Miami, Houston and Los Angeles).
    • Participants were low-income parents of uninsured children who are likely eligible for Medicaid or CHIP due to income.
  – Formative Research with Grantee Staff
    • Nineteen (15 in English, 4 in Spanish) telephone in-depth interviews (IDIs) were conducted with CKC grantee staff who work directly with assisting families with Medicaid and CHIP application and enrollment in California, Maryland, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Texas and Virginia
  – Message Testing with Parents
    • Online Max Diff survey was conducted among 300 low-income parents of uninsured children under the age of 18
Eligibility Confusion

• Eligibility: Participants assumed CHIP programs would have the same eligibility requirements as Medicaid. Therefore, parents of children who have been turned down for Medicaid assume they also won’t qualify for CHIP.

• Word-of-mouth and peer referrals: Most people had heard of Medicaid through family or friends, or during a specific motivating event such as a child’s illness or injury, serious medical diagnosis, medication prescription, or hospital admittance.
Barriers to Application and Enrollment

• Application Process Perceptions
  – Parents found or expected to find the application process to be confusing and unpredictable

• Eligibility
  – Parents and enrollment staff described difficulty in understanding and meeting the eligibility requirements of Medicaid and CHIP, including difficulty reporting and verifying income due to variations in income, hours worked, and employment changes

• Immigration Issues
  – Non-U.S. born parents, primarily Hispanics in this research, assumed that their immigration status or lack of citizenship excluded their U.S born children from eligibility
  – Effects of Medicaid or CHIP enrollment on their immigration status and related legal repercussions
Enrollment Motivators

• Understanding of eligibility requirements is an important motivator for parents to enroll their kids in Medicaid or CHIP – they need to know that they meet the eligibility requirements to qualify.

• In the quantitative study, messages around eligibility ranked the highest in motivating parents to go to HealthCare.gov to explore healthcare coverage for their children.

• Peace of mind, or the ability to pay for health care cost (e.g., prescription drugs, immunizations or medical care) is also a motivating factor.
Effective Messaging

Messages focused on rule changes and eligibility were found to be the most likely to motivate parents to go to HealthCare.gov to explore coverage eligibility for their children, and they continue to be the most motivating messages. The top three messages were:

– Working families in your state can qualify for free or low-cost health coverage for their children from your state. Go to HealthCare.gov to see if your family qualifies [Eligibility]

– Children in a family of four earning up to $48,600 a year (2016 figure, and in 2017 this changed to $49,200), or more may qualify for free or low-cost health coverage from your state. Go to HealthCare.gov to see if your family qualifies [Eligibility]

– Your children may qualify for free or low-cost coverage from your state, even if you don’t. Go to HealthCare.gov to see if your children qualify [Rules Have Changed]
Impact of Research Findings

• This research highlights the importance of focusing on messaging related to *eligibility* and that the *rules have changed*
  – Confusion around eligibility and rules were the top barriers identified by both parents and grantee staff
  – Messaging around eligibility and rules were rated as the most motivating messages by parents
Thank you!

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Poll Question: Has your organization customized any Connecting Kids to Coverage materials?

a. Yes
b. No
c. We plan to in the coming months
Extending Audience Reach with Social Media

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Social Media

• @IKNgov is the official handle of InsureKidsNow.gov

• Reach an average of 28K per post

• Partner handles in @HealthCareGov and @MedicaidGov that can help reach hit the millions
Editorial Calendar

• Three to five tweets per week currently on @IKNGov
  – Plenty of room available for more tweets

• Supplement with one to two tweets per week on @HealthCareGov and @MedicaidGov

• Re-tweet followers with relevant information. Answer questions whenever possible with links.
Topics

• Help with Application Process
• Immigration Issues
• Eligibility
• Rule Changes
Be Relevant

• Share webinars, training, videos

• Re-tweet others that share your same message
  – Can add a comment to supplement their tweet
  – Exponentially increases reach while supporting partners

• Use hashtags that are relevant to the content
  – Consistency (#Enroll365, #CHIP, #Medicaid, etc.)
  – Don’t be obscure
Tweet Examples

1. #Spring is in the air—which means allergy & asthma symptoms are high. Help kids get relief w/ #Medicaid or #CHIP: go.cms.gov/1Stycyw

2. Get involved in National Youth Enrollment Day tomorrow & help #teens up to 19 enroll in #Medicaid/#CHIP: go.hc.gov/2gVkCXX

3. Help #FightFlu! Remind parents when #KidsEnroll in #Medicaid/#CHIP they can get flu shots and other vaccines.

#Enroll365
Immunizations: covered.

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Twitter Chats

• Common theme
  – Example: National Children’s Dental Health Month

• Collaboration with multiple partners conveying same message: Importance of dental coverage

• Can act as host, partner or participant
  – Must be careful of partners
  – Know script ahead of time
Twitter Chats Continued

• Common hashtag with all tweets
  – Allows people to follow conversation
  – Helps expand reach
  – Trends among all followers

• From @IKNGov tweets, can gain value from analytics
#ThinkTeeth

#Medicaid & #CHIP include dental coverage – cleanings, check-ups, x-rays, sealants, fillings & more:
go.cms.gov/thinkteeth #ThinkTeeth

Feb is Children's #DentalHealth Month! We're spotlighting our #ThinkTeeth oral health materials: go.cms.gov/thinkteeth

Keep up good dental habits at every age.

Webinar today @ 2pm ET! Advocating for Healthy Smiles. Register:
go.hc.gov/2kel45i #ThinkTeeth #Enroll365

Registration is OPEN for Our Next Campaign Webinar!

InsureKidsNow.gov
Analytics

• Can Report on Our Posts
• Reach
• Engagement (Likes, RTs)
• Clicks
@IKNGov Design

- Internal design team
- Images, Gifs, Videos, etc.
- All creative pieces are branded with logo
- #Enroll365 used in all tweets to promote brand, create consistency, and allow non-followers to see our tweets
Thank you!

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Optimizing Campaign Materials in Outreach and Enrollment Efforts

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Kansas Project

- Four counties in southwest Kansas
  - Grant, Seward, Ford, Finney
- Rurally populated:
  - Grant (7,733) - Finney (37,118)
- Demographics:
  - Large Hispanic population
  - Large refugee and immigrant population
- Collaborative effort between Kansas State University, Kansas University Medical Center, Genesis Family Health, and the Kansas Health Institute
Project Structure

Network of partners across the state

• Kansas State University- Research and Extension
• Kansas Health Institute
• Kansas University Medical Center
• Genesis Family Health
• Child Care Aware
• Kansas Action for Children
• Communities in Schools
• Kansas Association of the Medically Underserved
• Kansas Department of Health and Environment
• Community Based Organizations: health departments, coalitions, WIC clinics, youth sports organizations, faith ministries, United Way, etc.
Project Partners

- **Child Care Aware of Kansas**
  - Added our campaign materials to the resource kits sent out to families seeking child care
  - Information provided to 205 families since January with this partnership

- **Communities in Schools**
  - Personalized materials with their logo
  - Preparation for school registration periods
  - School fairs/health fairs
Other Community-Based Partners

- Kansas State Research and Extension
  - TV & Radio
  - Regular segments to share our project materials and events
  - March 8TH KDGLTV segment had 1.2K viewers
- Community Based Organizations
  - Systematically provide with canned messages from the online resource toolkit, tailored to Kansas, to share through their social media channels
  - Twitter, Facebook, websites
  - Builds capacity at the local level through trusted sources

Connecting Kids to Coverage

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Challenges

- Language and cultural barriers
  - Knowing which forms of social media are best to use
  - Which community based organizations to contact and involve
  - Many different languages/dialects are used in these four counties, making translation for messages difficult
  - Difficult to identify all the languages needed
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Keep in Touch With the CKC Campaign

• Follow us @IKNGov
• Engage with the Campaign on social media
  • Re-tweet, share or tag messages using the hashtags #Enroll365, #KidsEnroll, #Medicaid and #CHIP
• Sign up for eNewsletters here:
  • https://www.insurekidsnow.gov/newsletter/subscribe/index.html
• Email us at: ConnectingKids@cms.hhs.gov
Thank you!