

### Medical Coverage for Children

#### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

The child must be a Kansas resident. In addition, he or she must be a U.S. citizen or a qualifying alien. Verification of citizenship and identity is required. See the Citizenship and Identity Requirements fact sheet for more information.

#### **AGE**

The child must be under the age of 19.

#### **RESOURCES**

No resource test is applicable.

#### **INCOME**

The earned and unearned income of the child and his or her parents that live in the home must be considered. This includes wages, unemployment benefits, Social Security (except SSI), VA benefits, and child support to name a few.

A \$200/month work expense deduction is allowed for each person with employment.

#### **INCOME STANDARDS**

The monthly countable income is compared to the appropriate standards listed in the chart below. Family size is determined by including the child(ren), parents that live in the home, and any other legally responsible person for a family member who lives in the home.

The income standards vary depending on the age of the child. There are two levels of coverage: KanCare under the Medicaid plan and KanCare under the CHIP plan. If a child doesn't qualify for Medicaid, which has lower income levels, they are then screened for CHIP. The CHIP program is based on 225% of the Federal Poverty Level.

## Monthly Income Standards (effective May 2013)

Number of Persons Included in household	KanCare under the Medicaid plan <b>Pregnant Women and Children Under 19</b>			KanCare under the CHIP plan <b>Children Under 19</b>
	100% of federal poverty level (ages 6 thru 18)	133% of federal poverty level (ages 1 thru 5)	150% of federal poverty level (pregnant women & ages under 1)	225% of federal poverty level (ages 0 thru 19 & income exceeds Medicaid)
1	\$ 958	\$1,274	\$1,437	\$2,155
2	\$1,293	\$1,720	\$1,939	\$2,909
3	\$1,638	\$2,165	\$2,442	\$3,662
4	\$1,963	\$2,611	\$2,944	\$4,416
5	\$2,298	\$3,056	\$3,447	\$5,170
6	\$2,633	\$3,502	\$3,949	\$5,923

If the family's income is at the KanCare CHIP level, additional rules apply.

### Specific KanCare CHIP Requirements

For the KanCare CHIP program, children must not already be covered by comprehensive and reasonably accessible health insurance. In addition, children whose parents have access to the State group health insurance plan are also not eligible. For families with income over 200%, an 8 month waiting period exists if they have voluntarily dropped comprehensive health insurance.

A premium between \$20 and \$50 is required for families with income above 150% of the federal poverty level.

### HOW TO APPLY

To apply for medical coverage for children, pregnant women, or families with children, use any of the following choices:

- Apply Online – [Click Here](#)
- Call the KanCare Clearinghouse at 1-800-792-4884 to request an application.
- To pick up an application go to your local DCF office. [Click Here](#) to find the DCF office nearest you.
- Family medical applications can be downloaded in 10 different languages from the [KDHE DHCF website](#).