

# Californians for Healthy Kids

A growing number of California organizations are joining together in an effort to ensure that every child in our state has access to affordable health insurance. *The time is right and the goal is achievable.* Over the past few years, California has made great progress in making sure more children have insurance; now we can finish the job. Health insurance improves children's well-being and helps them reach their potential in school. Investing in comprehensive health insurance for children is cost-effective, promoting access to early, less costly preventive care and treatment.

Specifically, our goals are to:

- Create a strong private/public initiative in which all children living in California from birth to age 21 will have access to affordable health insurance coverage.
- Build upon what works in California's publicly-funded state insurance programs and reform what does not, including modernizing and simplifying how children get enrolled and stay enrolled in coverage.
- Create a statewide insurance system that leverages the lessons and successes of local children's health initiatives.
- Promote voluntary opportunities to strengthen employer participation in covering dependents.
- Develop sustainable financing that supports the system over the long term, including maximizing federal funding.
- Promote opportunities for children to access services under their health insurance coverage.
- Ensure a strong safety net as a vital component of access to care.
- Do no harm as these reforms are put in place.

## Founding Organizations:

### 100% Campaign

Children Now  
Children's Defense Fund California  
The Children's Partnership

### PICO California Project

Oakland Community Organizations  
San Francisco Organizing Project  
Peninsula Interfaith Action (San Mateo and North Santa Clara Counties)  
People Acting in Community Together, San Jose  
Contra Costa Interfaith Supporting Community Organization (Contra Costa County)  
Congregations Organizing for Renewal (Southern Alameda County)  
Berkeley Organizing Congregations for Action  
Sacramento Area Congregations Together  
North Valley Sponsoring Committee (Yolo, Colusa, and Sutter County)  
People and Congregations Together for Stockton  
Congregations Building Community, Modesto  
Relational Culture Institute, Fresno County  
Faith in Community, Fresno  
Orange County Congregation Community Organization  
Inland Congregations United for Change (Riverside/San Bernardino counties)  
San Diego Organizing Project (San Diego city metro area)  
Interfaith Community Organization, Greater Long Beach Area  
Hollywood Interfaith Sponsoring Committee  
Congregations for Civic Action (Escondido, Oceanside area, North San Diego County)  
Community Voice Los Angeles (Los Angeles)

Supporters of the Goals of Californians for Healthy Kids:

Alameda Alliance for Health  
American Academy of Pediatrics, California District  
Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum  
Blue Cross of California  
Blue Shield of California  
California Association Health Plans  
California Children's Hospital Association  
California Church IMPACT  
California Immigrant Welfare Collaborative  
California Public Health Association- North  
California Primary Care Association  
California School Nurses Organization  
California State Parent Teachers Association  
California Small Business Association  
California State Parent Teacher Association  
California Teachers Association  
California Women Infants & Children Association  
Children's Advocacy Institute  
Children's Health Initiative of Greater Los Angeles  
Children's Hospital Los Angeles: School-Based Health Program  
Clinica Romero, Los Angeles  
Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth  
Community Action Marin  
Community Health Councils  
Corona-Norco Unified School District  
Cover the Kids by 2006, Sacramento County  
Eisner Pediatric & Family Center, Los Angeles  
First 5 Santa Clara County  
First 5 Santa Cruz County  
Harmony Health  
Health Access California  
Health Consumer Center of Los Angeles  
Health Net of California, Inc.  
Health Plan of San Joaquin  
Health Solutions, LLC.  
Healthy African American Families II  
Healthy Kids of Santa Cruz County  
Hollywood High School Healthy Start  
Inland Empire Health Plan  
Inner City Law Center, Los Angeles  
Insure the Uninsured Project  
JERICHO  
Kaiser Permanente  
Korean Resource Center, Los Angeles  
LA Care Health Plan  
Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce  
Los Angeles Health Action  
Latino Issues Forum  
Local Health Plans of California  
Long Beach Medi-Cal/Healthy Families Outreach Collaborative  
Lutheran Office of Public Policy  
Marin County Board of Supervisors  
Maternal and Child Health Access

Mendocino County Public Health Department  
National Health Foundation  
Neighborhood Legal Services  
New Economics for Women  
North Coast Clinics Network  
Parent Voices, SF Chapter  
Partnership Health Plan of California  
Redwood Community Health Coalition  
Sacramento County Office of Education  
Santa Barbara County Public Health Department  
Santa Clara County Children's Health Initiative  
Santa Clara Family Health Plan  
San Francisco Health Plan  
San Francisco Small Business Advocates  
Services, Immigrant Rights & Education Network  
Small Business California  
South Orange County and Community Health Enrichment  
Collaborative Family Resource Centers/Mission Hospital  
St. Alhanasius Food Pantry, Long Beach  
St. Mary Medical Center, Apple Valley  
St. Joseph Health System  
St. Jude Medical Center  
Unitarian Universalist Legislative Ministry  
United Way's Covering California's Children  
United Way of the Bay Area  
United Way California Capital Region  
United Way of Central Coast  
United Way of Fresno County  
United Way of Greater LA  
United Way of Humboldt County  
United Way of Kern County  
United Way of Monterey County  
United Way of San Diego County  
United Way of Santa Barbara County  
United Way of Santa Cruz County  
United Way of Silicon Valley  
United Way of Sonoma Mendocino Lake  
United Way of Tulare County  
Ventura County United Way  
Venice Family Clinic  
Worksite Wellness LA  
Working Partnerships-USA  
Yolo County Children and Families Commission