
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CHILDREN'S HEALTH CARE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Act 236, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, is
2 amended by amending section 3 to read as follows:
3 "SECTION 3. (a) There is established the Hawaii
4 children's health care program as a temporary [~~three-year~~] pilot
5 program to provide health care coverage to uninsured children
6 who live in Hawaii. The department of human services shall
7 provide health care coverage through a public-private
8 partnership, established as a contract to provide health and
9 human services pursuant to chapter 103F, Hawaii Revised
10 Statutes, between the department and one or more managed care
11 plans operating in the state under chapter 432, Hawaii Revised
12 Statutes, that offers accident and health or sickness insurance
13 plans.
14 (b) It is not the intent of the legislature to discourage
15 employers from offering to pay, or from paying for, dependent
16 coverage for their employees, nor that this Act supplant
17 employer sponsored dependent coverage plans.
18 (c) To qualify, a child shall:



- 1 (1) Be at least thirty-one days to less than nineteen
- 2 years old;
- 3 (2) Be living in Hawaii;
- 4 (3) Have been uninsured continually for at least six
- 5 months; provided that infants thirty-one days to six
- 6 months of age shall have been uninsured continually
- 7 since birth; and
- 8 (4) Have been ineligible during the six months the child
- 9 was uninsured for any other state or federal health
- 10 care coverage and be currently ineligible for any
- 11 other state or federal health care coverage; provided
- 12 that:
- 13 (A) All children enrolled in a managed care plan's
- 14 children's plan as of the effective date of this
- 15 Act shall be eligible for enrollment into the
- 16 Hawaii children's health care program without
- 17 being subject to the requirement of being
- 18 uninsured for the precedent six months in
- 19 subsection (c)(3);
- 20 (B) Children who are at least thirty-one days but
- 21 less than nineteen years old who become
- 22 ineligible for a med QUEST division health care



1 coverage program due to an increase in family
2 income may enroll in the program upon
3 disenrollment from a med QUEST division health
4 care coverage program; and

5 (C) Uninsured newborn children who are one day, but
6 not more than thirty days of age who were
7 enrolled in the Hawaii infant health care program
8 shall be eligible for enrollment in the Hawaii
9 children's health care program without being
10 subject to the requirement of being uninsured for
11 the precedent six months in subsection (c) (3).

12 (d) The department of human services and the managed care
13 plans shall share equally in the cost of the premium for each
14 child enrolled in the program subject to the appropriation of
15 general funds for the program.

16 (e) Primary health care services for participants in the
17 Hawaii children's health care program shall be provided by a
18 federally qualified health center, as recognized by the United
19 States Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The managed
20 care plan partner shall establish payment plans with the state's
21 federally qualified health centers to cover the costs of the
22 participants' primary health care services.



1 ~~(e)~~ (f) The department of human services shall pay the
2 State's share of the premiums under the program on a quarterly
3 basis.

4 ~~(f)~~ (g) The managed care plans participating in the
5 pilot program shall be responsible for determining the
6 eligibility of program applicants and of enrolling applicants in
7 the pilot program.

8 ~~(g)~~ (h) The managed care plans participating in the
9 program shall provide a quarterly report to the department of
10 human services and the legislature on the number of children
11 enrolled in the program.

12 ~~(h)~~ (i) The department shall ensure that other private
13 organizations have the opportunity to partner with the State to
14 offer coverage to uninsured children under the program; provided
15 that plan benefits to be provided shall be equal to or better
16 than those offered through the program established by the State
17 and managed care plans under subsection (a).

18 ~~(i)~~ (j) The department of human services and any
19 participating managed care plan shall report to the legislature
20 no later than twenty days prior to the start of the ~~[2008]~~ 2010
21 and ~~[2009]~~ 2011 regular sessions on:



- 1 (1) Any problems experienced with the program involving
- 2 crowding out eligible participants;
- 3 (2) Instances of people canceling their previous coverage
- 4 to receive this free coverage;
- 5 (3) The amount of funding used and for what purposes;
- 6 (4) Any other problems encountered in the administration
- 7 of the program; [~~and~~]
- 8 (5) Any proposed legislation[~~-~~]; and
- 9 (6) Any proposals on funding sources other than the
- 10 State."

11 SECTION 2. Act 236, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, is
 12 amended by amending section 14 to read as follows:

13 "SECTION 14. This Act shall take effect [~~upon~~] on July 1,
 14 2007; provided that on June 30, 2010, with the exception of
 15 section 3, this Act shall be repealed and section 346-59.4,
 16 Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be reenacted in the form in which
 17 it read on the day before the effective date of this Act[~~-~~]; and
 18 provided further that on June 30, 2012, section 3 of this Act
 19 shall be repealed."

20 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
 21 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ _____ or so
 22 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010 and



1 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
2 year 2010-2011 for the Hawaii children's health care program
3 established under section 3 of Act 236, Session Laws of Hawaii
4 2007.

5 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
6 of human services for the purposes of this Act.

7 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009.
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Report Title:

Keiki Care

Description:

Amends the Act 236, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, which established the Hawaii children's health care program, to extend the program for three more years and require that participants receive primary health care services at federally qualified health centers.

