



For more information on the Affordable Care Act and Health Insurance Marketplace or to book an appointments with a Certified Application Counselor, please contact the Health Council of South Florida at (305) 592-1452.

THE HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE AND YOU

About HCSF

As the preferred partner for strategic and community-based planning in Miami-Dade and Monroe counties, the Health Council of South Florida is committed to assisting with efficient and effective implementation of the Affordable Care Act in our community.

Mission

To be the source of unbiased health and quality of life data and analysis; the preferred partner for quality program planning, management, evaluation, and community services; the facilitator of collaboration and partnerships in Miami-Dade and Monroe counties; and the trusted champion for ethical and targeted healthcare policy at the local, state, and national levels.

Vision

To be the organization of choice that drives integration, collaboration and engagement for improved health and wellness in the communities we serve.

For more information about the HCSF, please call the Health Council Team at 305-592-1452 or visit our website at www.miamidadematters.org/ACA

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Children



Who Qualifies

If your child needs health coverage, they may be eligible for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). In the State of Florida, CHIP is the Florida KidCare program. If you qualify for Florida KidCare, you will not need to purchase a Marketplace plan.

Note: If you are in the U.S. for 5 years or less, you can still review your options in the Health Insurance Marketplace as Florida KidCare is not available for Florida residents residing 5 years or less.

Florida KidCare Basics

Through Florida KidCare, the State of Florida offers health insurance for children from birth through age 18, even if one or both parents are working. Some of the services Florida KidCare covers are:

- Doctor visits
- Check-ups and shots
- Hospital
- Surgery
- Prescriptions
- Emergencies
- Dental, Vision and hearing
- Mental health

Benefits of Health Insurance

No one plans to get sick or hurt, but most people will require medical care at some point. Health coverage helps pay for these costs and protects you from very high expenses.

Plans available in the Health Insurance Marketplace (and most other plans) provide free preventative care, like vaccines and check-ups. They also cover some costs for prescription drugs.

KidCare Eligibility

Florida KidCare is for children, not adults. To qualify for premium, a child must:

- Be under age 19
- Be uninsured
- Meet income eligibility requirements
- Be a U.S. citizen or qualified non-citizen
- Not be eligible for Medicaid
- Not be in a public institution
- Be in the U.S. for 5 years

Learn more about Florida KidCare, please visit www.floridahealth.gov. or call **1-888-540-5437** for more information on eligibility and cost.

Required Documentation

Following information is required when applying for Florida KidCare:

- Your family's most recent tax return
- Your W-2 Form
- Current pay stub
- Your children's Social Security Number
- Proof of Citizenship and Identity

Important Deadline

The Health Insurance Marketplace open enrollment period for 2014 ends on **March 31, 2014**. If you miss the deadline, the next open enrollment will begin November 15, 2014 and run through Feb. 15, 2015.

Florida KidCare Program has year round open enrollment. Coverage only begins after your child's eligibility has been determined and the first month's premium has been received, if required.

Contact

For additional information about the Health Insurance Marketplace, please visit their website at www.healthcare.gov or call 1-800-318-2596.

Residents of Miami-Dade County can visit the Miami Matters website at www.miamidadematters.org/ACA.

