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DSCC AND KIDCARE

**Working Together
to Help Your Family**



**Division of Specialized
Care for Children**

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Dear Families,

This brochure provides you with basic information about the Illinois Health Insurance Program called KidCare and the benefits available through The Division of Specialized Care for Children (DSCC). The DSCC Family Advisory Council strongly encourages you to enroll in KidCare if you meet the eligibility requirements. KidCare provides your children with a very wide range of health and dental benefits not available through DSCC. Please review the information in this brochure so you can understand the advantages of both the KidCare and DSCC programs. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact your local DSCC office or telephone toll free 1-800-322-DSCC (3722).

Sincerely,

*Sharon Barnhill
Family Member Chairperson
DSCC Family Advisory Council*



Why You Should Enroll in KidCare?

- Both KidCare and DSCC provide payment for medical care
- DSCC provides limited payment for medical care for only medically eligible conditions that are chronic and treatable
- KidCare provides payment for medical care for the same medically eligible DSCC conditions PLUS:

All other chronic health conditions, including mental health

Routine and preventive health care including dental care

Why Do You Need KidCare?

- ✓ Prenatal care
- ✓ Well-child and well-baby visits
- ✓ Immunizations and prescription medicines
- ✓ Physician visits (both routine and specialty), hospitalizations, and emergency services
- ✓ Vision, dental care, mental health, substance abuse, physical/occupational/speech therapies, and other specialty medical services including medical equipment and supplies

KidCare Eligibility: Provides for payment for medical care for children in families with incomes up to 185% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) plus moms and babies up to 200% FPL. Eligibility applies to children through age 18 plus pregnant moms and babies up to one year of age.

Why Do You Need DSCC?

- ✓ Medical specialty care not covered by KidCare
- ✓ Care Coordination Services for all medically-eligible children with special health care needs regardless of income status:
 - ✓ Help families arrange medical care with qualified health care providers
 - ✓ Help families access other community programs
 - ✓ Help families best use benefits from their KidCare or other private insurance plans
- ✓ Care Coordination that is family-centered, community-based and culturally sensitive.

NOTE: KidCare provides NO Care Coordination Services

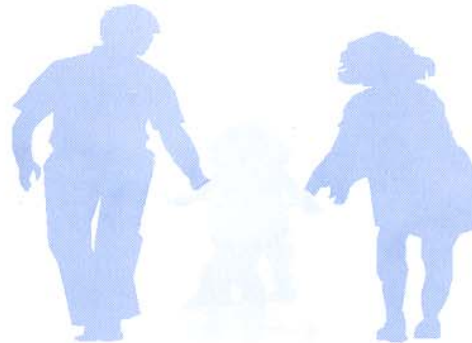
DSCC Eligibility: Provides payment for medical care for families with incomes below 285% FPL. Eligibility applies only to medically-eligible children up to the age of 21 years.



Family Voices, a national grassroots network of families and friends speaking on behalf of children with special health care needs, conducted a national survey of 2,220 families in 1999. Two of the major conclusions from the survey were:

- Parents of children with special health care needs covered by public programs, including State Child Health Insurance programs (like KidCare) give higher performance ratings and are more satisfied with their health plans than parents of children in private health plans.
- In light of inadequacies of some health plans in meeting the needs of children with special health care needs, secondary health care coverage serves a protective function and is essential for these children.

Source: Family Voices: The Family Partners Project-Survey "*Your Voice Counts!*", March 1998-April 1999



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