

## **Increasing Health Care Access for Teens through Medicaid and CHIP**

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## **Connecting Kids to Coverage National Campaign**

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# Agenda

- Overview and Introductions
- Engaging Virginia Teens in Medicaid & CHIP Programs
- Increasing the Dialogue Around Important Adolescent Health Topics
- Leveraging Health and Physical Education to Enroll Teens in Health Coverage
- Campaign Resources
- Questions and Answers



# **Poll Question:** Are you currently working to enroll teens in Medicaid and CHIP?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Planning to engage soon



**Poll Question:** How are you currently working to enroll teens in Medicaid and CHIP?

- a. Partnering with other community initiatives
- b. Setting up a table at school and community events
- c. Posting information on social media
- d. Co-sponsoring local events
- e. Other





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# **Virginia Health Care Foundation**

- The Virginia Health Care Foundation (VHCF) is a public/private partnership founded in 1992.
- VHCF uses a multi-pronged approach to fulfill its mission of increasing access to primary health care for uninsured and medically underserved Virginians.
  - ✓ Help eligible children, teens, and pregnant women enroll in statesponsored health insurance via Project Connect.
  - Grants and other initiatives to support health safety net organizations that provide direct services to uninsured and medically-underserved Virginians.



## Virginia Health Care by the Numbers

- Participation in Virginia's Children's Medicaid and CHIP programs is slightly lower than the national average (VA: 91.2%; US: 93.1%).
- As of 2015, enrollment in contiguous states ranged from a "low" of 94.1% (Maryland) to a high of 98.6% (Washington, D.C.) (<u>InsureKidsNow.gov</u>).
- More than 40% of Virginia's uninsured children (*39,000*) are between the ages of 13 and 18.



## VHCF's Child Health Insurance Initiatives

- Virginia's Medicaid and CHIP programs are collectively known as the "FAMIS" programs.
  - Medicaid = FAMIS Plus; CHIP = FAMIS)
- VHCF's initiatives focus on increasing the number of children and pregnant women covered through FAMIS programs by:
  - Helping children and pregnant women apply for and enroll in statesponsored health insurance programs
  - Improving retention and annual renewal of coverage
  - Providing training, technical assistance and support to organizations that provide outreach and enrollment
  - Advocating for policy and program improvements



## VHCF's Child Health Insurance Initiatives

#### SignUpNow

- Training & technical assistance on state-sponsored health coverage programs
- 3.5-hour in-person regional training as well as online training.
- Quarterly newsletter and information toolkit
- Over **11,000** trained.

#### Project Connect

- Specialized network of in-person assistance focused on statesponsored health insurance for children, pregnant women, and low income parents.
- Over 95,000 children and pregnant women have enrolled or renewed.

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## **Teen-Focused Strategies**

- 29% of all *Project Connect* enrollments have come from school referrals to Outreach Workers (OWs).
- VHCF worked with the Department of Education to design an outreach plan in 2016 that ties FAMIS outreach and enrollment (*O&E*) to two activities teens like most – sports and driving.
  - Strategies for sports are consistent with the CMS strategy guide, *The Game Plan*.
  - DOE and DMAS have a longstanding collaborative agreement through which a State Superintendent's Memo about FAMIS is sent to school division superintendents each August for distribution to all students.
  - These approaches do not require schools to provide individual student personal information to OWs, so there are no privacy concerns related to the *Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act* (*FERPA*).



# Why VHCF & DOE Selected These Approaches to Reach Teens

- Relatively simple, very focused concepts;
- Inexpensive to design, implement and sustain;
- Systemic change focused on students and faculty/staff;
- Statewide approach with a broad reach;
- Clear support from DOE and VHSL;
- Consistent with, and builds on, *The Game Plan;*
- Complemented existing outreach efforts underway at DOE and local school districts;
- Health insurance literacy is an important life skill for *all* teens;



## FAMIS Information on Sports Physical Form in Virginia

- Added language about the FAMIS programs to the Virginia High School League Athletic Participation / Parental Consent / Physical Examination Form, via the state high school leagues' Sports Medicine Advisory Committee.
- With this addition, families whose teens wish to play high school sports, but do not have insurance, can learn about the FAMIS programs and be well-educated about their coverage options.
- **<u>Status</u>**: Live and accessible as July 1, 2017

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#### PART IV -- ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK AND INSURANCE STATEMENT

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(To be completed and signed by parent/guardian)

I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_\_(name of child/ward) to participate in any of the following sports that are not crossed out: baseball, basketball, cheerleading, cross country, field hockey, football, golf, gymnastics, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming/diving, tennis, track, volleyball, wrestling, other (identify sports). \_\_\_\_\_

I have reviewed the individual eligibility rules and I am aware that with the participation in sports comes the risk of injury to my child/ward. I understand that the degree of danger and the seriousness of the risk varies significantly from one sport to another with contact sports carrying the higher risk. I have had an opportunity to understand the risk inherent in sports through meetings, written handouts, or some other means. He/she has student medical/accident insurance available through the school (yes\_\_\_no\_\_\_); has athletic participation insurance coverage through the school (yes\_\_\_no\_\_\_); is insured by our family policy with:

Name of Medical Insurance Company:

Policy Number:

Name of Policy Holder:

I am aware that participating in sports will involve and with the travel involved and with this knowledge in mi with the team.

By this signature, I hereby consent to allow the physical perform a pre-participation examination on my child and to provide a athletics/activities for his/her school during the school year covered by the care provider(s) to share appropriate information concerning my child that he coaches and other school personnel as deemed necessary.

Additionally I give my consent and approval for the above named student's pro-VHSL athletic program, publication or video.

the team. I acknowledge and accept the risks inherent in the sport mission for my child/ward to participate in the sport and travel

> Ith care provider(s) selected by myself or the school to injury or condition resulting from participating in r consent to allow said physician(s) or health ticipation in athletics and activities with

> > be printed in any high school or

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# **Training for Coaches**

- Created and distributed 30-hour continuing education (CE) on-demand webinar about the FAMIS programs for athletic trainers, athletic administrators, coaches and other school administrators that will apply towards CE requirements.
- **STATUS**: Live and accessible as of April 1, 2017





## **Lesson Plans**

- Developed and distributed lesson plans about FAMIS programs and how to apply for Drivers' Education and 9th Grade Health and Physical Education on health insurance and health insurance literacy.
- **<u>STATUS</u>**: Live and accessible as of May 1, 2017





## **Customized Posters and Palmcards**

- Developed teen-focused print materials about the FAMIS programs, customized with the local Outreach Workers' contact information, and distributed via 9th Grade Health and Physical Education teachers in localities served by OWs.
- <u>STATUS</u>: Materials available for distribution as of January 2018.





## **Sample VHCF Materials**



There's more to your teen's health than working out or wearing a seatbelt.

While driving safely and working out are important to keeping teens healthy, there's more to the puzzle. They need health insurance.

Health insurance pays for preventive care, like annual check-ups and vaccines, to keep teens healthy. And, health insurance pays for medical care and prescription medicines when teens are sick or hurt. It also gives them access to emergency care, mental health services, dental care (including braces), glasses and more.

Sign up for health insurance through the FAMIS programs at any time. Children and teens up to age 19 are eligible. There are no enrollment fees or premiums. And, remember - renew coverage each year!

Check out www.coverva.org or call 1-855-242-8282 for more details, like income eligibility requirements.



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### Health insurance gets you in the game!

Did you know that all student athletes in Virginia must have health insurance to play sports?





Not only is health insurance a requirement to get and stay on the team, having health insurance keeps you healthy by covering preventive care, like annual check-ups and vaccines. And, it helps your family pay for medical care and prescription medicines when you are sick or hurt. It also gives you access to emergency care, mental health services, dental care (including braces), eye exams and glasses and more.

You can enroll in health insurance through the FAMIS programs 385 days a year. Children and teens up to age 10 are eligible. There are no enrollment fees or premiums. Remember – renew your coverage each year to stay insured

> Go to COVERV0.0Fg or call 1-855-242-8282 to learn more about health coverage for the children and teens in your family!



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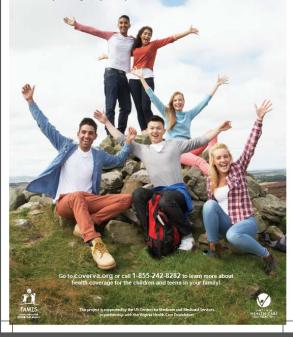
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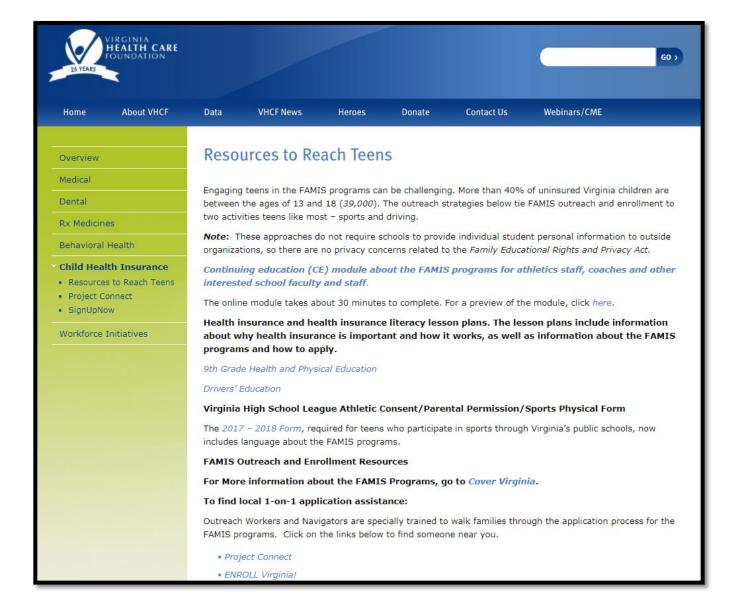
Have fun and stay healthy! Health insurance through the FAMIS programs covers check-ups, immunizations, doctor and dentist visits, hospital care, mental health services, prescriptions, glasses, braces and more for children and teens up to age 19. And, it helps your family pay for medical care and prescription medicines when you are sick or hurt.

You can sign up for health insurance through the FAMIS programs at any time. Remember – renew your coverage each year to stay insured!





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## Best Practices to Engage Families, Encourage Teen Enrollment

- Partner with organizations generally trusted by families, that can facilitate access to a large group of eligible uninsured children.
- Show families and their teens that you have a vested interest in children's health.
- Connect on-the-go with a "Mobile Office" and be readilyaccessible when convenient for families.
- Hire OWs who connect with families of all sorts and can effectively interact with state and local agency staff.



## Best Practices to Engage Families, Encourage Teen Enrollment

## • One-On-One assistance generally addresses:

- Overcoming language barriers;
- Uncertainty with how to complete long application and the technology involved;
- Difficulty gathering documentation;
- Lack of awareness of programs or eligibility requirements;
- Family's limited understanding of the value and importance of coverage;
- Family's reluctance to seek help from a government program;
- Undocumented parents' worry that enrolling their U.S. Citizen children in the FAMIS programs will prevent the parent from becoming a citizen in the future, because he/she accessed a government benefit before becoming a legal resident.





## **Engaging Teens in Virginia Medicaid & CHIP Programs**

For more information:

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## Schape Society of Health And Physical Educators®

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## **Our History**

# The association now known as **SHAPE America** began in 1885 as the Association for the Advancement of Physical Education (AAPE).





## **Our Mission**

We are the nation's largest membership association of **health and physical educators**.

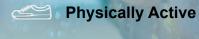
Working together with our 50 state affiliates, our mission is to **advance professional practice and promote research** related to health and physical education, physical activity, sport and dance.



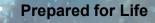


#### Our vision

A nation where all children are prepared to lead healthy, physically active lives.



Making Healthy Choices









### Founding Partner

#### Jump Rope For Heart/Hoops For Heart

#### Active Schools

#### **PYFP**



SHAPE America and the American Heart Association collaborate on the Jump Rope For Heart and Hoops For Heart programs.







## **Our Goal: 50 Millions Students in U.S.**





## **Our Commitment is Strong**

**50 Million Strong** is SHAPE America's commitment to put all children on the path to **health and physical literacy** through

effective health and physical education programs.





## Learn More and Get Involved



### A website full of resources.



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## SHAPE America Download Library

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with Collin Brooks, Matt Pomeroy, and Stephanie Sandino

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## **Recognition Programs and Celebrating Excellence**









## Melanie Lynch, M.Ed. 2016 SHAPE America National Health Teacher of the Year



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## Building Health Literacy with Teenagers



**Health Literacy** is the ability to access, understand, appraise, apply and advocate for health information and services in order to maintain or enhance one's own health and the health of others.

#### Bridging the Gap:

**99%** of Americans <u>can read</u>, But only **12%** are <u>health literate</u>.

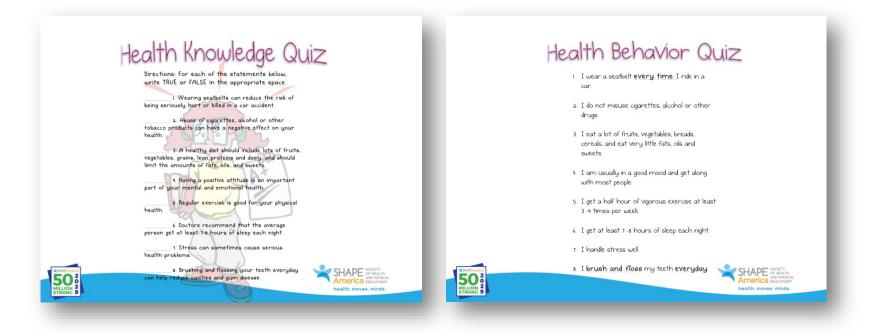




## Building Health Literacy with Teenagers



## Health Knowledge vs. Health Behavior

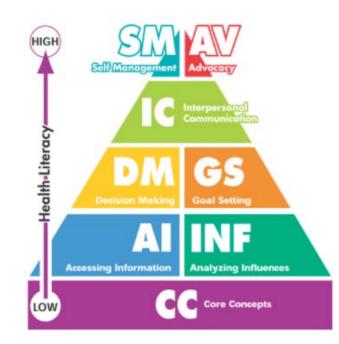


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#### Building Health Literacy with Teenagers



#### **Instituting Functional Knowledge**



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### Building Health Literacy with Teenagers



#### Thank you!

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### More Information from SHAPE America

- Access to Materials:
  - <u>Resources & Publications</u>
  - Digital Download Library
- Professional Development Opportunities:
  - Webinars, Online Courses
  - <u>New Online Institute</u>
- 50 Million Strong Site
- <u>Teacher of the Year</u>
  <u>Program</u>



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#### **Contact SHAPE America**

Interested in reaching out to health and physical educators across the country?

Contact me!

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#### **Connecting Kids to Coverage National Campaign Resources**



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#### **Teen Outreach Resources**

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- School-Based Outreach and Enrollment Toolkit
- Outreach Materials for Teens
- "10 Things Schools Can Do" One Pager
- "Get Covered. Get in the Game" Strategy Guide
- Multimedia Materials



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The Game Plan: How School and Community Youth Sports Programs Can Help Get Eligible Children Enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP

### "Covered" Video and Radio PSA

- Public Service Announcements • to help inform parents and caretakers how to get children covered in Medicaid or CHIP.
- **Radio and Video Scripts** • are also available.
- **English and Spanish Versions** ٠ are available here:

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MOM: And

KID: Ouch That hum

- I free or low-cost health insurance through Medicaid and CHIP programs ing more kids and teens than ever before. So even if you've applied in the

Get us kids covered today. Families of four earning up to \$49,200 a year or more may qualify. Just go to reKidsNow goy, or call 1-577-Kids-Now. That's 1-577-543-7669. Paid for by the US Department of Health and





## **Additional Campaign Materials**



- Outreach Materials— Customizable Posters/Palmcards, Videos, Tip Sheets
- Informational Webinars
- "Campaign Notes" eNewsletter
- Ready-Made Articles, Radio Scripts
- Digital Media Tools
- TV & Radio PSAs

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#### **Digital Media Tools**





- Social Media Graphics & Guide
- Web Buttons & Banners
- Sample Posts



## **Examples of Material Topics**

Win or lose, what matters is being part of the team. Health insurance gets them in the game.

- Back-to-School
- Oral Health
- Vision
- Teens
- Sports
- Year-round Enrollment



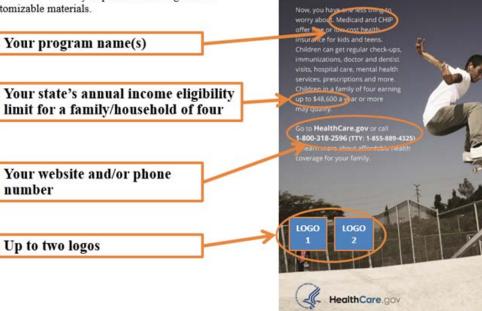
#### **Customizable Materials**

#### Posters, flyers, palmcards and tear pads

An extra hand for parents

with their hands full

You may choose to insert your program name(s), your state's annual income eligibility limit for a family of four, your website address and/or phone number, and up to two logos. *Please Note:* You may request these changes on all customizable materials.



Learn how to request material customization here:

https://www.insurekidsnow.gov/downloads/library/print/materialscustomizationguideenglish.pdf



#### When kids have health insurance, we all breathe easier.

Whether it's allergies, asthma or just a common cold, your kids can get the care they need. Medicaid and CHP offers free or low-cost health insurance for kids and teens. Children can get regular check-ups, immunizations, doctor and dentist visits, hospital care, mental health services, prescriptions and more. Children in a family of four earning up to \$48,600 a year or more may qualify.

Go to HealthCare.gov or call 1-800-318-2596 (TTY: 1-855-889-4325) to learn more about affordable health coverage for your family.



# **CKC Campaign Outreach Tool Library**

Outreach Video Library

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Webinar Archive

- <u>https://www.insurekidsnow.gov/webinars-</u> videos/webinars/index.html
- "School-Based Outreach Strategies to Reach Medicaid & CHIP-Eligible Students"
- "Back-to-School and School-Based Enrollment Strategies: Tried, True & New Ideas to Reach Families"



## Keep in Touch With the CKC Campaign

Engage with the Campaign on Social Media:

- Follow us on Twitter @IKNGov
- Re-tweet, share or tag messages using the hashtags:
  - #Enroll365, #KidsEnroll, #Medicaid and #CHIP
- Sign up for <u>"Campaign Notes" eNewsletter</u>
- Email us at: <u>ConnectingKids@cms.hhs.gov</u>
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#### **Share What Is Working For You**





#### **Questions?**





#### **Thank you!**



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