

## **S-CHIP Enrollment**

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A United Hospital Fund study shows that expanding eligibility rules for coverage under New York's S-CHIP Child Health Plus program has not translated into complete coverage—far from it, in fact. Approximately 360,000 eligible children remain uninsured. Part of the problem is that people must prove their eligibility yearly by resubmitting documents. The researchers outline various ways to make renewal easier, including allowing people to sign up for several years of coverage at once. The researchers say that there are very few instances in which children become ineligible for coverage and that the recertification process is a waste of resources. The full report, *Automated Renewal: Strategies to Maintain Coverage of Eligible Children in Medicaid and Child Health Plus*, is online at [www.medicainstitute.org/publications/](http://www.medicainstitute.org/publications/).

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