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# **Expanded Eligibility for KidsCare**

### What is KidsCare?

Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) provides health insurance through KidsCare for eligible children (age 18 or younger) who are not eligible for other AHCCCS health insurance. For children who qualify, there are monthly premiums.

KidsCare monthly premiums range from \$10 to \$50 for one child and from \$15 to \$70 for two or more children. The monthly premium amount varies depending on your household income.

Visit <u>azahcccs.gov/Members/GetCovered/Categories/KidsCare</u> for more information.

## What do I need to know about expanded eligibility for KidsCare?

KidsCare, Arizona's Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), is expanding eligibility. By increasing the family income limits that qualify for KidsCare, more children can access affordable health care. The expansion was originally approved by the Governor and state legislature with bipartisan support in 2023's state budget. Governor Katie Hobbs announced in February 2024 that the federal government approved the expansion to make 10,000 more children eligible for KidsCare starting March 1, 2024.

To qualify for KidsCare, annual family income limits are rising to 225% of the federal poverty level, or an annual household income of up to \$70,200 for a family of four. The change takes effect April 1, 2024, and newly eligible families may begin enrolling on March 1, 2024.

## KidsCare Income Limits Effective 3/1/2024

Family Size	Monthly Family Income	Annual Family Income
1	\$2,824	\$33,888
2	\$3,833	\$45,996
3	\$4,842	\$58,104
4	\$5,850	\$70,200
5	\$6,859	\$82,308
6	\$7,868	\$94,416

## **How do I get assistance with applying for KidsCare?**

You can utilize FREE help through Cover Arizona, which provides support with applying for KidsCare and AHCCCS (Arizona's Medicaid).

 To schedule an appointment with a local application assistor, call 1-800-377-3536 or visit coveraz.org/connector.



• Visit this <u>Cover Arizona Guide</u> for more information about how to navigate the Cover Arizona website.

Visit <u>Health Insurance in Arizona</u> for more information about Open Enrollment, how to get assistance with applying for health insurance, the Health Insurance Marketplace, and free or low-cost health insurance options.