



## What New York and its children and families have at stake in SCHIP\* reauthorization

- New York has been making progress toward the goal of covering all children since SCHIP was created – the state reduced the rate of uninsured low-income children from 23 percent in 1997 to 12 percent in 2005.<sup>1</sup>
- But there are still **385,000 children in New York who are uninsured.**<sup>2</sup>
- SCHIP provides 453,000 New York children with affordable health coverage through the *New York Child Health Plus* program.<sup>3</sup>
- New York faces a **\$103 million shortfall** in federal SCHIP funding beginning in 2011 - that shortfall is **projected to reach \$200 million annually by 2012.**<sup>4</sup>
- As many as **111,000 New York children are at-risk of losing their coverage** by 2012 if Congress does not add new funding to the SCHIP program.<sup>5</sup>
- 38 percent of New York children under the age of 18 depends on Medicaid and SCHIP for their health insurance coverage.<sup>6</sup>
- Most low-income parents in New York cannot obtain family health coverage at work – only 41 percent of New York children in families with income below 300 percent of poverty are covered by their parents' employers.<sup>7</sup>
- Adequate funding for Medicaid and SCHIP is essential to New York's health care infrastructure. For example, 40 percent of all births in the state are financed by Medicaid and SCHIP.<sup>8</sup>
- Filling the SCHIP shortfall and increasing funding to help states enroll eligible children and expand coverage is essential to New York covering all children.

\* State Children's Health Insurance Program

<sup>1</sup> Center on Budget and Policy Priorities' analysis of publicly available data from the Census Bureau

<sup>2</sup> Kaiser Family Foundation, [www.statehealthfacts.org](http://www.statehealthfacts.org)

<sup>3</sup> Kaiser Family Foundation, Medicaid and SCHIP enrollment reports (September 2005)

<sup>4</sup> Center on Budget Policy and Priorities based on data from Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

<sup>5</sup> PICO National Network based on Center on Budget Policy and Priorities SCHIP Financing model

<sup>6</sup> Kaiser Family Foundation, Medicaid and SCHIP enrollment reports (September 2005)

<sup>7</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, Annual Social and Economic Supplement, 2006

<sup>8</sup> Kaiser Family Foundation, [www.statehealthfacts.org](http://www.statehealthfacts.org)