

Advocates urge children's health coverage

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Politicians and children's health advocates pushed for renewal of federal funding for children's health insurance in an event at Children's Hospital yesterday, citing a poll that says 90 percent of Massachusetts voters favor providing health coverage to all uninsured children. US Senators Edward M. Kennedy and John F. Kerry and Mayor Thomas M. Menino of Boston joined Diluvina Vasquez Allard of the Massachusetts Communities Action Network and Dr. James Mandell, chief executive of Children's Hospital, in calling for passage of a law authorizing the State Children's Health Insurance Program. The poll was conducted by the New England Alliance for Children's Health.