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Children's Medical Services (CMS)

CMS programs ensure a comprehensive system of health care for children at high risk.



Sunset, Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area. © Dave Feliz.

Child Health and Disability Program

The Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP) provides funding for well child visits for low-income children in Yolo County. Visits include a full physical exam, including monitoring growth, checking oral health, and screening hearing, vision, anemia, and tobacco exposure. Childhood vaccines are provided free of charge at these visits. In 2008, 11,978 CHDP health visits were provided to low income Yolo County children. Approximately 20 Yolo County health care providers participate in the CHDP program by providing health screening to all low income children.⁷⁵

Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care

The Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care (HCPFC) ensures that children in foster care receive timely preventive health care and that all medical, dental, mental, and developmental problems are addressed properly while in foster care. This program is coordinated by a public health nurse who works closely with foster parents, health care providers, and social workers to achieve this goal. In fiscal year 2009, the Yolo County foster care program coordinated care for 372 children. Of these children, 84% (313) had well child exams and 57% (211) had dental exams.⁷⁵

Ovarian & Prostate Cancer Awareness Month • Fruit & Veggies—More Matters Month • Infant Mortality Awareness Month • Cholesterol Awareness Month

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6 County Holiday Labor Day	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Talk Like a Pirate Day	20	21	22	23 First Day of Autumn	24	25
26	27	28 World Rabies Day	29	30	1	2

California Children's Services (CCS)⁷⁵

The CCS program provides access to high quality specialty medical care for children ages 0 to 21 years with complex chronic illnesses and physically disabling conditions. CCS provides authorization and funding for specialist care, case management services for families, and assists with transportation to specialist appointments. CCS also provides direct care, including physical and occupational therapy for children with cerebral palsy, and similar conditions.

The CCS program was first established in California as "Crippled Children's Services" in 1927 to serve children with polio and cerebral palsy. As children's medical treatment has dramatically improved and as California has grown over the past 80 years, the program has expanded to provide children with access to improved treatments. As of July 2009, the CCS program served almost 175,000 children statewide.

The Yolo County Health Department opened its first "Crippled Children's Clinic" in 1937 and has had a CCS program continuously since then. Yolo County's CCS caseload has grown approximately 8% in the past 3 years. In 2009, the Yolo

County CCS program served almost 600 children every month. The Medical Therapy Program (providing physical and occupational therapy) serves 90 children a month.

The 5 most common diagnoses of children in the Yolo County CCS program as of July 2009 are: congenital heart disease, hearing loss, cerebral palsy, diabetes, and cleft palate. Yolo County children with many other diagnoses are also served, including children with:

- hypothyroidism
- all types of cancer
- muscular dystrophy
- cystic fibrosis
- kidney failure
- spinal cord injury
- sickle cell anemia
- phenylketonuria (PKU).



Courtesy California CCS Program

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