MediKids is the Florida KidCare program which provides low-cost health insurance for children ages 1 through 4.

The Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) manages the program. The MediKids program is similar to Medicaid. Children enrolled in the MediKids program receive medical services and benefits from Medicaid providers through Medicaid’s Managed Medical Assistance (MMA) program.

This brochure gives you general information about the MediKids program. Please read the brochure to better understand how the program works and what services are covered.

**PREMIUM PAYMENTS**

MediKids coverage costs $15 or $20 a month, depending on your income, citizenship, and other insurance coverage. There are no deductibles, co-payments, or coinsurance.

**Premium Payment Due Date:** Make sure your monthly premium is paid on time to avoid cancellation of coverage. The payment is due on the 1st day of the month for the next month's coverage.

**Example:** A payment due on January 1st will provide coverage for the month of February.

**Full Pay Option:** If your child is not eligible for the low cost premium due to citizenship, having other insurance coverage or your family income is greater than the program income limits, you can still get MediKids by paying $157 a month for each child. (This amount is subject to change at any time.)

There are several ways to pay your Florida KidCare premium:

- Pay Online
- Pay by telephone: 1-800-821-5437
- Pay by mail: Florida KidCare PO Box 31105 Tampa, FL 33631-3105
- Pay by cash

Nonpayment: Your child’s MediKids coverage will be canceled for at least 30 days if you do not pay your monthly premium on time. After the 30 days, your child’s MediKids coverage will continue once a payment is made.
HEALTH PLANS
MediKids recipients will receive their health care services through Medicaid’s Managed Medical Assistance (MMA) program. You must select a health plan before MediKids coverage can begin. Different plans are offered depending on where you live. Your child’s health care plan will ask you to select a primary care provider (PCP) as the main source of health care for your child.

PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER
MediKids health care plans use primary care providers (PCP), usually doctors, as the main source of health care for your child. Call your child’s assigned PCP to make appointments for routine check-ups or to get health care when your child is sick. If your PCP would like your child to see a specialist the PCP will refer your child and authorize the service.

COVERED HEALTH CARE SERVICES
MediKids will pay for covered health care services only if you go to your child’s assigned PCP or if your child’s PCP refers you to another Medicaid health care provider. Call your child’s assigned PCP to make appointments for routine check-ups or to get health care when your child is sick. Your PCP will advise you if a service is not covered by MediKids.

Dental services are covered by your health plan. Please call your health plan for help choosing a dental provider. MediKids will not pay for services before coverage begins or after coverage ends. MediKids will not make payments directly to you.

HEALTH CARE PLAN OPTIONS
You have the right to change your child’s health care plan. If you wish to change health care plans, call the MediKids Helpline. Call your health care plan member services department if you want to choose another PCP.

IDENTIFICATION CARD
Your blue plastic card is your child’s permanent MediKids identification card. This card allows your child to receive covered health care services paid for by the MediKids program. Your health care plan will also send your child a health plan identification card.

OUT-OF-STATE SERVICES
If you are visiting another state and your child needs emergency services, MediKids may pay for the emergency care. Contact your health plan to find out if out-of-state services will be covered.

DISENROLLMENT
Your child will no longer qualify for MediKids coverage if one of the following occurs:

• You fail to make your monthly payment on time.
• Your child gets other health care coverage (Medicaid, private or employer sponsored).
• Your family income exceeds the program limits. (The full pay option is available.)
• You fail to comply with the MediKids annual eligibility renewal requirements.
• Your child moves to another state.

WHAT’S COVERED

- Ambulance
- Lab & X-Ray Services
- Hospital Inpatient Services
- Durable Medical Equipment
- Hospital Outpatient Services
- Dental Services
- Medical Services from Primary Care Provider
- Speech Therapy
- Medical Services from Specialist
- Physical Therapy
- Vision Services (including Eyeglasses)
- Respiratory & Occupational Therapy
- Hearing Services (including Hearing Aids)
- Private Duty Nursing
- Prescribed Drugs
- Mental Health Services
- Child Health Check-Up
- Home Health Services
- Immunization

WHAT’S NOT COVERED

- Cosmetic Procedures
- Custodial Care
- Experimental Procedures
- Respite Services
- Home & Community-Based Services

To apply for Florida Care coverage visit FloridaKidCare.org or call 1-800-821-5437 for more information.