



## Children's Health April 24<sup>th</sup> Policy Briefing

### AGENDA

9:00-9:05 a.m.

Welcome and Introductions, Amy N. Swanson, Voices for Ohio's Children

9:05-9:15 a.m.

Ohio Needs Health Care for Its Children and Their Families, Mary Wachtel, Voices for Ohio's Children and the Ohio Covering Kids and Families Coalition

9:15-9:20 a.m.

A Family's Perspective, Margaret Demko, Albany Ohio

9:20-9:50 a.m.

Federal Medicaid/SCHIP Update and Future Timeline, Cindy Mann, Research Professor and Executive Director, Center for Children and Families, Georgetown University Health Policy Institute

9:50-10:20 a.m.

Impact of Federal Policy Changes for Ohio Policy Makers, John Corlett, Director, Ohio Office of Health Plans

10:20-10:30 a.m.

Break

10:30-11:00 a.m.

Medicaid/SCHIP: Evidence of the Impact on Children's health care access, use, quality and outcomes , Gerry Fairbrother, Ph.D., and Lisa Simpson, MB, BCh, MPH, FAAP, Child Policy Research Center, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center & the University of Cincinnati

11:00-11:15 p.m.

Overview of Action Needed, Amy N. Swanson , Voices for Ohio's Children and Mary Wachtel Voices for Ohio's Children and Ohio Covering Kids and Families

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Ohio is a national leader in children's health care coverage. Last year, Ohio leaders passed a bipartisan children's health bill, recognizing that our state is better off when all children have health care. Even in light of the current state budget deficits, Governor Strickland and Ohio legislators have pledged that funding for programs children need will remain untouched. Federal bureaucrats continue to construct obstacles to harm Ohio's goal to cover more kids. This briefing is a way to educate and keep Ohio focused on maintaining the investment in children's coverage. Because of the leadership Governor Strickland and the Ohio General Assembly showed last year, the goal of covering all uninsured Ohio children is within reach.