

Stories of Utah Medicaid & CHIP

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CHIP & Medicaid Make a Difference for our [kids & families and community](#).

The Truth about Utah Medicaid & CHIP

In Utah there is often a negative and inaccurate stigma around the word Medicaid. Most people do not know that Medicaid & CHIP are critical to Utah's entire health care system. Over 300,000 Utahns are covered by these programs and 70% of the recipients are children. 215,000 Utah kids rely on Medicaid or CHIP for their health care. Over 40,000 parents & pregnant women rely on Medicaid to give their families a healthy start. Medicaid is the cornerstone of children's health care, providing a crucial lifeline for low-income families and kids with special health care needs.

Celebrate the People & Stories of Medicaid & CHIP

It's time to lift up the stories and people of Medicaid & CHIP, so we can protect and strengthen these vital programs. We are joining [amazing campaigns](#) around the country to celebrate the critical role Medicaid & CHIP play in our community. By sharing stories and images on social media, with lawmakers & decision-makers, the media and the public, we can transform misconceptions and perceptions, and make Medicaid & CHIP even stronger.

Get Involved!

Break down the stigma and celebrate Medicaid & CHIP! Your story is powerful

- Share your story on the [Healthier Utah Coalition](#) facebook page or send us a message.
- Take this quick survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VJP7Y7G>
- Or just send an email to jessie@utahchildren.org
- Finally, don't forget to email, call and tag your [local legislator and Congressional reps](#). Tell them how Medicaid & CHIP makes a difference in your life and for your community. We need more voices to keep these programs safe. All kids & families need to access affordable, quality health care.

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"The rainbow through all of these dark clouds was... Medicaid." _ZhPAWbVFX4

"[Medicaid]'s crucial for our patients." eka0irwBrao

For 30 years now, Voices for Utah Children has called on our state, federal and local leaders to put children's needs first. But the work is not done. The children of 30 years ago now have children of their own. Too many of these children are growing up in poverty, without access to healthcare or quality educational opportunities.

How can you be involved?

[Make a tax-deductible donation](#) to Voices for Utah Children—or [join our Network](#) with a monthly donation of \$20 or more. Network membership includes complimentary admission to Network events with food, socializing, and opportunity to meet child advocacy experts. And don't forget to [join our listserv](#) to stay informed!



® We look forward to the future of Voices for Utah Children and we hope you will be a part of our next 30 years.

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