FRAMEWORK FOR THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PLANS UNDER TITLE XXI OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

Preamble

Section 2108(a) of the Act provides that the State must assess the operation of the State child health plan in each fiscal year, and report to the Secretary, by January 1 following the end of the fiscal year, on the results of the assessment. In addition, this section of the Act provides that the State must assess the progress made in reducing the number of uncovered, low-income children.

To assist States in complying with the statute, the National Academy for State Health Policy (NASHP), with funding from the David and Lucile Packard Foundation, has coordinated an effort with States and CMS over the years to design and revise this Annual Report Template. Over time, the framework has been updated to reflect program maturation and corrected where difficulties with reporting have been identified.

The framework is designed to:

- Recognize the ***diversity*** of State approaches to SCHIP and allow States ***flexibility*** to highlight key accomplishments and progress of their SCHIP programs, **AND**
- Provide ***consistency*** across States in the structure, content, and format of the report, **AND**
- Build on data ***already collected*** by CMS quarterly enrollment and expenditure reports, **AND**
- Enhance ***accessibility*** of information to stakeholders on the achievements under Title XXI.

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State/Territory: **RI**
(Name of State/Territory)

The following Annual Report is submitted in compliance with Title XXI of the Social Security Act (Section 2108(a)).

Signature:

Deborah J. Florio

SCHIP Program Name(s): **All, Rite Care/Rite Share**

SCHIP Program Type:

- ☐ SCHIP Medicaid Expansion Only
- ☐ Separate Child Health Program Only
- ☒ Combination of the above

Reporting Period: **2006** *Note: Federal Fiscal Year 2006 starts 10/1/05 and ends 9/30/06.*

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SECTION I: SNAPSHOT OF SCHIP PROGRAM AND CHANGES

1) To provide a summary at-a-glance of your SCHIP program characteristics, please provide the following information. You are encouraged to complete this table for the different SCHIP programs within your state, e.g., if you have two types of separate child health programs within your state with different eligibility rules. If you would like to make any comments on your responses, please explain in narrative below this table.

	SCHIP Medicaid Expansion Program					Separate Child Health Program				
Eligibility						**From**	0	% of FPL conception to birth	256	% of FPL
	From		% of FPL for **infants**		% of FPL	**From**		% of FPL for **infants**		% of FPL
	From		% of FPL for children ages **1 through 5**		% of FPL	**From**		% of FPL for 1 **through 5**		% of FPL
	From	100	% of FPL for children ages **6 through 16**	250	% of FPL	**From**		% of FPL for children ages **6 through 16**		% of FPL
	From	100	% of FPL for children ages **17 and 18**	250	% of FPL	**From**		% of FPL for children ages **17 and 18**		% of FPL

Is presumptive eligibility provided for children?	☒	No	☒	No
	☐	Yes, for whom and how long?	☐	Yes, for whom and how long?
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Is retroactive eligibility available?	☒	No	☒	No
	☐	Yes, for whom and how long?	☐	Yes, for whom and how long?
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Does your State Plan contain authority to implement a waiting list?	Not applicable	☒	No
		☐	Yes
		☐	N/A

Does your program have a mail-in application?	☐	No	☐	No
	☒	Yes	☒	Yes
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Can an applicant apply for your program over the phone?	☒	No	☒	No
	☐	Yes	☐	Yes
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Does your program have an application on your website that can be printed, completed and mailed in?	☐	No	☐	No
	☒	Yes	☒	Yes
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Can an applicant apply for your program on-line?	☒	No	☒	No
	☐	Yes – please check all that apply	☐	Yes – please check all that apply
	☐	Signature page must be printed and mailed in	☐	Signature page must be printed and mailed in
	☐	Family documentation must be mailed (i.e., income documentation)	☐	Family documentation must be mailed (i.e., income documentation)
	☐	Electronic signature is required	☐	Electronic signature is required
			☐	No Signature is required
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Does your program require a face-to-face interview during initial application	☒	No	☒	No
	☐	Yes	☐	Yes
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Does your program require a child to be uninsured for a minimum amount of time prior to enrollment (waiting period)?	☒	No	☒	No
	☐	Yes	☐	Yes
	Specify number of months		Specify number of months	
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Does your program provide period of continuous coverage <u>regardless of income changes?</u>	☒	No	☒	No
	☐	Yes	☐	Yes
	Specify number of months		Specify number of months	
	Explain circumstances when a child would lose eligibility during the time period in the box below		Explain circumstances when a child would lose eligibility during the time period in the box below	

	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Does your program require premiums or an enrollment fee?	☐	No	☐	No
	☒	Yes	☒	Yes
	Enrollment fee amount		Enrollment fee amount	
	Premium amount		Premium amount	
	Yearly cap		Yearly cap	
	If yes, briefly explain fee structure in the box below		If yes, briefly explain fee structure in the box below (including premium/enrollment fee amounts and include Federal poverty levels where appropriate)	
	Premium Amount: 150-185% of FPL-$61 per month 185-200% of FPL-$77 per month 200-250% of FPL-$92 per month		Premium amount: 150-185%of FPL-$61 per month 185-200% of FPL-$77 per month 200-250% of FPL-$92 per month	
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Does your program impose copayments or coinsurance?	☒	No	☒	No
	☐	Yes	☐	Yes
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Does your program impose deductibles?	☒	No	☒	No
	☐	Yes	☐	Yes
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Does your program require an assets test?	☒	No	☒	No
	☐	Yes	☐	Yes
	If Yes, please describe below		If Yes, please describe below	
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Does your program require income disregards?	☐	No	☐	No
	☒	Yes	☒	Yes
	If Yes, please describe below		If Yes, please describe below	
	Same as Medicaid		Same as Medicaid	
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Is a preprinted renewal form sent prior to eligibility expiring?	☐	No	☐	No
	☒	Yes, we send out form to family with their information pre-completed and	☒	Yes, we send out form to family with their information pre-completed and
		☒ We send out form to family with their information pre-completed and ask for confirmation		☒ We send out form to family with their information pre-completed and ask for confirmation
		☐ We send out form but do not require a response unless income or other circumstances have changed		☐ We send out form but do not require a response unless income or other circumstances have changed
	☐	N/A	☐	N/A

Enter any Narrative text below.

2. Is there an assets test for children in your Medicaid program? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A

3. Is it different from the assets test in your separate child health program? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A

4. Are there income disregards for your Medicaid program? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

5. Are they different from the income disregards in your separate child health program? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A

6. Is a joint application used for your Medicaid and separate child health program? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

7. Have you made changes to any of the following policy or program areas during the reporting period? Please indicate "yes" or "no change" by marking appropriate column.

	Medicaid Expansion SCHIP Program			**Separate Child Health Program**		
	Yes	No Change	N/A	Yes	No Change	N/A
a) Applicant and enrollee protections (e.g., changed from the Medicaid Fair Hearing Process to State Law)	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
b) Application	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐

c)	Application documentation requirements	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
d)	Benefit structure	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
e)	Cost sharing (including amounts, populations, & collection process)	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
f)	Crowd out policies	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
g)	Delivery system	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
h)	Eligibility determination process (including implementing a waiting lists or open enrollment periods)	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
i)	Eligibility levels / target population	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
j)	Assets test in Medicaid and/or SCHIP	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
k)	Income disregards in Medicaid and/or SCHIP	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
l)	Eligibility redetermination process	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
m)	Enrollment process for health plan selection	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
n)	Family coverage	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
o)	Outreach (e.g., decrease funds, target outreach)	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
p)	Premium assistance	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
q)	Prenatal Eligibility expansion	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐
r)	Waiver populations (funded under title XXI)						
	Parents	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐	☒
	Pregnant women	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐	☒
	Childless adults	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒

s) Methods and procedures for prevention, investigation, and referral of cases of fraud and abuse	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
t) Other – please specify						
a. _____	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. _____	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. _____	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

8. For each topic you responded yes to above, please explain the change and why the change was made, below:

a) Applicant and enrollee protections (e.g., changed from the Medicaid Fair Hearing Process to State Law)	
b) Application	
c) Application documentation requirements	
d) Benefit structure	
e) Cost sharing (including amounts, populations, & collection process)	
f) Crowd out policies	
g) Delivery system	
h) Eligibility determination process (including implementing a waiting lists or open enrollment periods)	
i) Eligibility levels / target population	
j) Assets test in Medicaid and/or SCHIP	
k) Income disregards in Medicaid and/or SCHIP	

l) Eligibility redetermination process	
m) Enrollment process for health plan selection	
n) Family coverage	
o) Outreach	
p) Premium assistance	
q) Prenatal Eligibility Expansion	
r) Waiver populations (funded under title XXI)	
Parents	
Pregnant women	
Childless adults	
s) Methods and procedures for prevention, investigation, and referral of cases of fraud and abuse	
t) Other – please specify	
a.	
b.	
c.	

Enter any Narrative text below.

SECTION II: PROGRAM'S PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT AND PROGRESS

This section consists of three subsections that gather information on the core performance measures for the SCHIP program as well as your State's progress toward meeting its general program strategic objectives and performance goals. Section IIA captures data on the core performance measures to the extent data are available. Section IIB captures your enrollment progress as well as changes in the number and/or rate of uninsured children in your State. Section IIC captures progress towards meeting your State's general strategic objectives and performance goals.

SECTION IIA: REPORTING OF CORE PERFORMANCE MEASURES

CMS is directed to examine national performance measures by the SCHIP Final Rules of January 11, 2001. To address this SCHIP directive, and to address the need for performance measurement in Medicaid, CMS, along with other Federal and State officials, developed a core set of performance measures for Medicaid and SCHIP. The group focused on well-established measures whose results could motivate agencies, providers, and health plans to improve the quality of care delivered to enrollees. After receiving comments from Medicaid and SCHIP officials on an initial list of 19 measures, the group recommended seven core measures, including four core child health measures:

- Well child visits in the first 15 months of life
- Well child visits in the 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th years of life
- Use of appropriate medications for children with asthma
- Children's access to primary care practitioners

These measures are based on specifications provided by the Health Plan Employer Data and Information Set (HEDIS®). HEDIS® provides a useful framework for defining and measuring performance. However, use of HEDIS® methodology is <u>not</u> required for reporting on your measures. The HEDIS® methodology can also be modified based on the availability of data in your State.

This section contains templates for reporting performance measurement data for each of the core child health measures. Please report performance measurement data for the three most recent years (to the extent that data are available). In the first and second column, report data from the previous two years' annual reports (FFY 2004 and FFY 2005). If you previously reported no data for either of those years, but you now have recent data available for them, please enter the data. In the third column, please report the most recent data available at the time you are submitting the current annual report (FFY 2006). Additional instructions for completing each row of the table are provided below.

If Data Not Reported, Please Explain Why:
If you cannot provide a specific measure, please check the box that applies to your State for each performance measure as follows:

- <u>Population not covered</u>: Check this box if your program does not cover the population included in the measure.
- <u>Data not available</u>: Check this box if data are not available for a particular measure in your State. Please provide an explanation of why the data are currently not available.
- <u>Small sample size</u>: Check this box if the sample size (i.e., denominator) for a particular measure is less than 30. If the sample size is less than 30, your State is not required to report data on the measure. However, please indicate the exact sample size in the space provided.
- <u>Other</u>: Please specify if there is another reason why your state cannot report the measure.

Status of Data Reported:
Please indicate the status of the data you are reporting, as follows:

- <u>Provisional</u>: Check this box if you are reporting data for a measure, but the data are currently being modified, verified, or may change in any other way before you finalize them for FFY 2006.
- <u>Final</u>: Check this box if the data you are reporting are considered final for FFY 2006.

- Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report: Check this box if the data you are reporting are the same data that your State reported in another annual report. Indicate in which year's annual report you previously reported the data.

Measurement Specification:
For each performance measure, please indicate the measurement specification (i.e., were the measures calculated using the HEDIS® technical specifications, HEDIS®-like specifications, or some other source with measurement specifications unrelated to HEDIS®). If the measures were calculated using HEDIS® or HEDIS®-like specifications, please indicate which version was used (e.g., HEDIS® 2006). If using HEDIS®-like specifications, please explain how HEDIS® was modified.

Data Source:
For each performance measure, please indicate the source of data – administrative data (claims), hybrid data (claims and medical records), survey data, or other source. If another data source was used, please explain the source.

Definition of Population included in the Measure:
Please indicate the definition of the population included in the denominator for each measure (such as age, continuous enrollment, type of delivery system). Check one box to indicate whether the data are for the SCHIP population only, or include both SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX) children combined. Also provide a definition of the numerator (such as the number of visits required for inclusion).

Note: You do not need to report data for all delivery system types. You may choose to report data for only the delivery system with the most enrollees in your program.

Year of Data:
Please report the year of data for each performance measure. The year (or months) should correspond to the *period in which utilization took place*. Do *not* report the year in which data were collected for the measure, or the version of HEDIS® used to calculate the measure, both of which may be different from the period corresponding to utilization of services.

Performance Measurement Data (HEDIS® or Other):
In this section, please report the numerators, denominators, and rates for each measure (or component). The template provides two sections for entering the performance measurement data, depending on whether you are reporting using HEDIS® or HEDIS®-like methodology or a methodology other than HEDIS®. The form fields have been set up to facilitate entering numerators, denominators, and rates for each measure. If the form fields do not give you enough space to fully report on your measure, please use the "additional notes" section.

Note: SARTS will calculate the rate if you enter the numerator and denominator. Otherwise, if you only have the rate, enter it in the rate box.

If you typically calculate separate rates for each health plan, report the aggregate state-level rate for each measure (or component). The preferred method is to calculate a "weighted rate" by summing the numerators and denominators across plans, and then deriving a single state-level rate based on the ratio of the numerator to the denominator. Alternatively, if numerators and denominators are not available, you may calculate an "unweighted average" by taking the mean rate across health plans.

Explanation of Progress:
The intent of this section is to allow your State to highlight progress and describe any quality improvement activities that may have contributed to your progress. If improvement has not occurred over time, this section can be used to discuss potential reasons for why progress was not seen and to describe future quality improvement plans. In this section, your State is also asked to set annual performance objectives for FFY 2007, 2008, and 2009. Based on your recent performance on the measure (from FFY 2004 through 2006), use a combination of expert opinion and "best guesses" to set objectives for the next three years. Please explain your rationale for setting these objectives. For example, if your rate has been increasing by 3 or 4 percentage points per year, you might project future increases at a similar rate. On the other hand, if your rate has been stable over time, you might set a target that projects a small

increase over time. If the rate has been fluctuating over time, you might look more closely at the data to ensure that the fluctuations are not an artifact of the data or the methods used to construct a rate. You might set an initial target that is an average of the recent rates, with slight increases in subsequent years.

In future annual reports, you will be asked to comment on how your actual performance compares to the objective your State set for the year, as well as any quality improvement activities that have helped or could help your State meet future objectives.

Other Comments on Measure:
Please use this section to provide any other comments on the measure, such as data limitations or plans to report on a measure in the future.

NOTE: Please do not reference attachments in this table. If details about a particular measure are located in an attachment, please summarize the relevant information from the attachment in the space provided for each measure.

MEASURE: Well Child Visits in the First 15 Months of Life

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
If Data Not Reported, Please Explain Why: ☐ Population not covered. ☐ Data not available. *Explain*: ☐ Small sample size (less than 30). *Specify sample size*: ☐ Other. *Explain*:	**If Data Not Reported, Please Explain Why:** ☐ Population not covered. ☐ Data not available. *Explain*: ☐ Small sample size (less than 30). *Specify sample size*: ☐ Other. *Explain*:	**If Data Not Reported, Please Explain Why:** ☐ Population not covered. ☐ Data not available. *Explain*: ☐ Small sample size (less than 30). *Specify sample size*: ☐ Other. *Explain*:
Status of Data Reported: ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☒ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☒ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:* 2005	**Status of Data Reported:** ☒ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:* 2006
Measurement Specification: ☒HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*: Medicaid	**Measurement Specification:** ☒HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*: Medicaid	**Measurement Specification:** ☐HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*:
Data Source: ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☒ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☒ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☒ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:
Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☒ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator: HEDIS Specifications	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☒ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator: HEDIS Specifications	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☒ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator: HEDIS Specifications
Year of Data: 2003	**Year of Data:** 2004	**Year of Data:** 2005

Well Child Visits in the First 15 Months of Life (continued)

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
HEDIS Performance Measurement Data: *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Percent with specified number of visits 0 visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 4 visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 1 visit Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 5 visits Numerator: 1295 Denominator: 1545 Rate: 83.8 2 visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 6+ visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 3 visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**HEDIS Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Percent with specified number of visits 0 visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 4 visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 1 visit Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 5 visits Numerator: 835 Denominator: 915 Rate: 91.3 2 visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 6+ visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 3 visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**HEDIS Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Percent with specified number of visits 0 visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 4 visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 1 visit Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 5 visits Numerator: 783 Denominator: 846 Rate: 92.6 2 visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 6+ visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 3 visits Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:
Other Performance Measurement Data: *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Other Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Other Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:

Explanation of Progress:

Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:

Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:

Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:

Explain how these objectives were set:

Other Comments on Measure: As part of the RIte Care Performance Goal Program, the "standard" for this measure is 85 percent.

MEASURE: Well-Child Visits in Children the 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th Years of Life

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
If Data Not Reported, Please Explain Why: ☐ Population not covered. ☐ Data not available. *Explain*: ☐ Small sample size (less than 30) *Specify sample size*: ☐ Other. *Explain*:	**If Data Not Reported, Please Explain Why:** ☐ Population not covered. ☐ Data not available. *Explain*: ☐ Small sample size (less than 30). *Specify sample size*: ☐ Other. *Explain*:	**If Data Not Reported, Please Explain Why:** ☐ Population not covered. ☐ Data not available. *Explain*: ☐ Small sample size (less than 30). *Specify sample size*: ☐ Other. *Explain*:
Status of Data Reported: ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☒ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:* 2004	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☒ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:* 2005	**Status of Data Reported:** ☒ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:* 2006
Measurement Specification: ☒HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*: Medicaid	**Measurement Specification:** ☒HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*: Medicaid	**Measurement Specification:** ☒HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*: Medicaid
Data Source: ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☒ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☒ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☒ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:
Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☒ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator: HEDIS Specifications	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☒ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator: HEDIS Specifications	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator: HEDIS Specifications
Year of Data: 2003	**Year of Data:** 2004	**Year of Data:** 2005
HEDIS Performance Measurement Data: *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Percent with 1+ visits Numerator: 4241 Denominator: 5853 Rate: 72.5 Additional notes on measure:	**HEDIS Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Percent with 1+ visits Numerator: 1294 Denominator: 1700 Rate: 76.1 Additional notes on measure:	**HEDIS Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Percent with 1+ visits Numerator: 1365 Denominator: 1735 Rate: 78.7 Additional notes on measure:

Well-Child Visits in Children the 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th Years of Life (continued)

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Other Performance Measurement Data: *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Other Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Other Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:
Explanation of Progress: **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:** *Explain how these objectives were set:*		
Other Comments on Measure: As part of the RIte Care Performance Goal Program, the "standard" for this measure is 80 percent.		

MEASURE: Use of Appropriate Medications for Children with Asthma

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
If Data Not Reported, Please Explain Why: ☐ Population not covered. ☐ Data not available. *Explain*: ☐ Small sample size (less than 30). *Specify sample size*: ☐ Other. *Explain*:	**If Data Not Reported, Please Explain Why:** ☐ Population not covered. ☐ Data not available. *Explain*: ☐ Small sample size (less than 30). *Specify sample size*: ☐ Other. *Explain*:	**If Data Not Reported, Please Explain Why:** ☐ Population not covered. ☐ Data not available. *Explain*: ☐ Small sample size (less than 30). *Specify sample size*: ☐ Other. *Explain*:
Status of Data Reported: ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☒ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:* 2004	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☒ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:* 2005	**Status of Data Reported:** ☒ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:* 2006
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Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☒ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator: HEDIS Specifications	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☒ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator: HEDIS Specifications	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☒ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator:
Year of Data: 2003	**Year of Data:** 2004	**Year of Data:** 2005

Use of Appropriate Medications for Children with Asthma (continued)

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
HEDIS Performance Measurement Data: *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Percent receiving appropriate medications 5-9 years Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 10-17 years Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Combined rate (5-17 years) Numerator: 1053 Denominator: 1514 Rate: 69.6 Additional notes on measure:	**HEDIS Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Percent receiving appropriate medications 5-9 years Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 10-17 years Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Combined rate (5-17 years) Numerator: 1341 Denominator: 1801 Rate: 74.5 Additional notes on measure:	**HEDIS Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Percent receiving appropriate medications 5-9 years Numerator: Denominator: Rate: 10-17 years Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Combined rate (5-17 years) Numerator: 1308 Denominator: 1410 Rate: 92.8 Additional notes on measure:
Other Performance Measurement Data: *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Other Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Other Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:
Explanation of Progress: **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:** *Explain how these objectives were set:*		
Other Comments on Measure: As part of the RIte Care Performance Goal Program, the "standard" for this measure is 70 percent.		

MEASURE: Children's Access to Primary Care Practitioners

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
If Data Not Reported, Please Explain Why: ☐ Population not covered. ☐ Data not available. *Explain*: ☐ Small sample size (less than 30). *Specify sample size*: ☐ Other. *Explain*:	**If Data Not Reported, Please Explain Why:** ☐ Population not covered. ☐ Data not available. *Explain*: ☐ Small sample size (less than 30). *Specify sample size*: ☐ Other. *Explain*:	**If Data Not Reported, Please Explain Why:** ☐ Population not covered. ☐ Data not available. *Explain*: ☐ Small sample size (less than 30). *Specify sample size*: ☐ Other. *Explain*:
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Measurement Specification: ☒HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*: Medicaid	**Measurement Specification:** ☒HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*: Medicaid	**Measurement Specification:** ☒HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*:
Data Source: ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☒ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☒ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☒ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:
Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☒ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator: HEDIS Specifications	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☒ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator: HEDIS Specifications	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☒ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator:
Year of Data: 2003	**Year of Data:** 2004	**Year of Data:** 2005

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
HEDIS Performance Measurement Data: *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Percent with a PCP visit 12-24 months / 7-11 years Numerator: / Numerator: Denominator: / Denominator: Rate: / Rate: 25 months-6 years / 12-19 years Numerator: / Numerator: Denominator: / Denominator: Rate: / Rate: Additional notes on measure: Aggregrate measure: Denominator: 31,150 Denominator: 33,483 Rate: 93.0%	**HEDIS Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Percent with a PCP visit 12-24 months / 7-11 years Numerator: / Numerator: Denominator: / Denominator: Rate: / Rate: 25 months-6 years / 12-19 years Numerator: / Numerator: Denominator: / Denominator: Rate: / Rate: Additional notes on measure: Aggregate measure: Denominator: 32,413 Denominator: 34,785 Rate: 93.2%	**HEDIS Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Percent with a PCP visit 12-24 months / 7-11 years Numerator: / Numerator: Denominator: / Denominator: Rate: / Rate: 25 months-6 years / 12-19 years Numerator: / Numerator: Denominator: / Denominator: Rate: / Rate: Additional notes on measure: Aggregate measure: Denominator: 32,588 Denominator: 34,566 Rate: 94.3%
Other Performance Measurement Data: *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Other Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Other Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:

Explanation of Progress:

Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:

Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:

Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:

Explain how these objectives were set:

Other Comments on Measure: As part of the RIte Care Performance Goal Program, the "standard" for this measure is 95 percent.

SECTION IIB: ENROLLMENT AND UNINSURED DATA

1. The information in the table below is the Unduplicated Number of Children Ever Enrolled in SCHIP in your State for the two most recent reporting periods. The enrollment numbers reported below should correspond to line 7 in your State's 4th quarter data report (submitted in October) in the SCHIP Statistical Enrollment Data System (SEDS). The percent change column reflects the percent change in enrollment over the two-year period. If the percent change exceeds 10 percent (increase or decrease), please explain in letter A below any factors that may account for these changes (such as decreases due to elimination of outreach or increases due to program expansions). This information will be filled in automatically by SARTS through a link to SEDS. Please wait until you have an enrollment number from SEDS before you complete this response.

Program	FFY 2005	FFY 2006	Percent change FFY 2005-2006
SCHIP Medicaid Expansion Program	25609	24028	-6.17
Separate Child Health Program	1535	1464	-4.63

   A. Please explain any factors that may account for enrollment increases or decreases exceeding 10 percent.

2. The table below shows trends in the three-year averages for the number and rate of uninsured children in your State based on the Current Population Survey (CPS), along with the percent change between 1996-1998 and 2003-2005. Significant changes are denoted with an asterisk (*). If your state uses an alternate data source and/or methodology for measuring change in the number and/or rate of uninsured children, please explain in Question #3. SARTS will fill in this information automatically, but in the meantime, please refer to the CPS data attachment that was sent with the FFY 2006 Annual Report Template.

	Uninsured Children Under Age 19 Below 200 Percent of Poverty		Uninsured Children Under Age 19 Below 200 Percent of Poverty as a Percent of Total Children Under Age 19	
Period	Number	Std. Error	Rate	Std. Error
1996 - 1998	11	3.7	4.8	1.7
1998 - 2000	8	3.2	3.3	1.3
2000 - 2002	7	1.7	2.6	.7
2002 - 2004	9	2.0	3.4	.7
2003 - 2005	10	2.7	3.7	1.0
Percent change 1996-1998 vs. 2003-2005	-9.1%	NA	-22.9%	NA

A. Please explain any activities or factors that may account for increases or decreases in your number and/or rate of uninsured children.

The economic recovery has been slower in Rhode Island than in many other States In addition, the cost of employer-sponsored insurance (ESI) continued to rise in an insurance marketplace with a single insurer domination. These factors have resulted in a loss of ESI coverage not only for workers but their dependents.

B. Please note any comments here concerning CPS data limitations that may affect the reliability or precision of these estimates.

In using CPS data, it is important to keep in mind that the Current Population Survey "was not designed as a health insurance survey." (1)While the CPS provides valuable trend information, "comparisons with other surveys have indicated that its estimates for the uninsured tend to be somewhat higher than other major surveys, indicating that underreporting may be a larger problem for the CPS than for some other major surveys that ask questions about insurance coverage." (2) The underreporting for Rhode Island may be considerable. For example, in March 2001 new questions were added to the CPS specifically dealing with SCHIP coverage. Data for Rhode Island showed (3) SCHIP coverage estimates to be 83 percent less than the actual SCHIP coverage in the State (as reported to CMS).

CPS reports on insurance coverage (or lack thereof) "in the previous calendar year", (4) with a sample size of 1,620 Rhode Island households for 2002. In comparison to the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP), also conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau, CPS underreports "health insurance coverage when compared with estimates from SIPP." (5) Thus, the level of uninsurance in Rhode Island may actually be less than that reported by using CPS data.

(1) Nelson, C. T. and R. J. Mills. The March CPS Health Insurance Verification Question and Its Effect on Estimates of the Uninsured, U.S. Bureau of the Census, August 2001, 6.

(2) Ibid.

(3) Nelson, C. T. and R. J. Mills. The Characteristics of Persons Reporting State Children's Health Insurance Program Coverage in the March 2001 Current Population Survey, U.S. Bureau of the Census, August 2002.

(4)http://www/census.gov/hhes/hlthins/hlthinsintro.html.

(5) Bhandari, S. People with Health Insurance: A Comparison of Estimates from Two Surveys, U.S. Census Bureau, June 8, 2004, 11.

3. Please indicate by checking the box below whether your State has an alternate data source and/or methodology for measuring the change in the number and/or rate of uninsured children.

☒ Yes (please report your data in the table below)

☐ No (skip to Question #4)

Please report your alternate data in the table below. Data are required for two or more points in time to demonstrate change (or lack of change). Please be as specific and detailed as possible about the method used to measure progress toward covering the uninsured.

Data source(s)	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey (BRFSS)
Reporting period (2 or more points in time)	1996 – 2003
Methodology	An annual telephone survey of a random sample of Rhode Island households conducted by the Rhode Island Department of Health that collects demographic characteristics, health access measures, as well as employment and income information on working-age Rhode Islanders. Information on uninsurance pertains to uninsurance at the time of the survey
Population (Please include ages and income levels)	Adult population in Rhode Island – uninsured population aged 18- 64 is reported here
Sample sizes	3,166
Number and/or rate for two or more points in time	1996 – 11%;1997 – 10%; 1998 – 10%; 1999 – 9%; 2000 – 9%; 2001 – 8%; 2002 – 11%; 2003 – 11%
Statistical significance of results	Statistical significance has not been tested

A. Please explain why your State chose to adopt a different methodology to measure changes in the number and/or rate of uninsured children.
Because of some of the concerns about CPS data and the fact that Rhode Island covers adults under its Section 1115 SCHIP waiver, Rhode Island has been making greater use of the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) data to examine uninsurance among adults in Rhode Island aged 18 to 64. BRFSS reports on those "uninsured at the time of the phone survey", with a sample size of more than twice that of the CPS. Based upon data from the most recent CPS, 11.4 percent of Rhode Islanders of all ages were uninsured in 2004. Rhode Island had the second lowest rate of uninsured in the nation, surpassed only by Vermont with a rate of 9.5 percent. In 2000, Rhode Island had the lowest uninsurance rate in the country for both children and the total population. After experiencing a sustained, declining trend in the level of uninsurance in the State, in 2001 the level of unisurance increased.

The 2001 – 2003 three-year average showed that Rhode Island had, at 9.3 percent, the second lowest rate of uninsurance in the nation behind Minnesota, at 8.2 percent, which was 38 percent less than the national average of 15.1 percent. However, the 2002 – 2004 three-year average was 10.5 percent, placing Rhode Island fifth, behind Minnesota, Hawaii, Iowa, and Wisconsin, respectively. The 2002 – 2003 two-year average showed that Rhode Island was tied with Hawaii, New Hampshire, and Vermont, at 10.1 percent, behind Minnesota, at 8.3 percent, which was 34 percent less than the national average of 15.4 percent. However, the 2003 – 2004 two-year average for Rhode Island was 10.8 percent, placing the State sixth behind Minnesota, Hawaii, Maine, Iowa, and Wisconsin, respectively, yet still 31.2 percent below the two-year national average of 15.7 percent uninsured.

Based on BRFSS, the level of unisurance among adults was somewhat higher in 2002 than that reported using CPS data. The increased level of uninsurance was due to continued erosion in coverage by employer-sponsored insurance (ESI).

The State has also been making increased use of the Health Interview Survey (HIS). The HIS is a survey conducted periodically by the Rhode Island Department of Health. The most recent analysis of HIS data summarizes 1990, 1996, and 2001 survey results . In 2001, a random sample of 2,600 Rhode Island households were interviewed by telephone for the HIS, covering 6.877 individuals. Summary findings are as follows:

· The typical demographic characteristics of the uninsured in Rhode Island: is that they are between the ages of 18-34 years of age, male, White non-Hispanic, not married, completed high school or have a GED, low-income, employed, and live in a household of more than three persons

· The population groups that were disproportionately represented, or were more likely to be uninsured, included: Hispanics, unemployed persons, core city residents, and those who lived alone

· Although the employed were insured at a higher rater, most uninsured Rhode Islanders are employed (61 percent). However, the 46 percent of the unemployed were uninsured

· The percent of uninsured children, based on those less than 65 years of age in Rhode Island, has declined 50 percent from 8.4 percent in 1990 to 3.8 percent in 2001. Uninsured children were disproportionately represented in the age group 6-12 years of age, which comprised 50 percent of the uninsured children in Rhode Island. Children under 5 years of age had the highest rate of insurance coverage, with only 2.5 percent uninsured.

· The percent of uninsured under 65 years of age in Rhode Island declined from 10.5 percent in 1990 to 7.8 percent in 2001, did the percent of uninsured women aged 15-44 from 10.9 percent in 1990 to 7.8 percent in 2001

· The majority of the uninsured in Rhode Island are White, while 22 percent were Hispanic However, 17 percent of all Hispanics were uninsured compared to only 6 percent for Whites.

· Nearly 50 percent of the uninsured in Rhode Island had incomes under 200 percent of the FPL and over 70 percent of the uninsured had incomes below 300 percent of the FPL.

The HIS was conducted again by the Rhode Island Department of Health in 2004, but the results have not yet been reported.

1 Griffin, J. Profiles and Trends of the Uninsured in Rhode Island: Characteristics of Uninsured Working-Age Adults in Rhode Island, 1995-2002, RI Medicaid Research and Evaluation Reports. May 2004.
2 U.S. Census Bureau. Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance in the United States: 2004 Table 9.
3 U.S. Census Bureau, Ibid., Table 11.

4 Ibid.

B. What is your State's assessment of the reliability of the estimate? What are the limitations of the data or estimation methodology? (Provide a numerical range or confidence intervals if available.)
The likelihood of possible differences between the data obtained from a sample and the data that would have been obtained from the entire population is mathematically determined by using confidence intervals. A confidence interval is normally expressed as the number of percentage points that should be added or subtracted from a sample estimate in order to have a given level of confidence that the "true" value for the whole population lies within that range. The 95 percent confidence interval for the BRFSS was 2.9-4.6 percent and the rate of uninsurance for HIS was 9.7-11.9 percent.

C. What are the limitations of the data or estimation methodology?

4. How many children do you estimate have been enrolled in Medicaid as a result of SCHIP outreach activities and enrollment simplification? Describe the data source and method used to derive this information

Whether Rhode Island is first in the nation, or 3rd or 12th, according to CPS, the effect of RIte Care (and, now, RIte Share) on the rate of uninsured for low- and moderate-income families is undeniable. These programs have made a difference and part of it is due to a concerted effort to enroll people. The State undertook a well-defined outreach effort to identify and enroll uninsured children in RIte Care Health Plans. The State also implemented activities, made possible by other changes in the BBA, to simplify the application and enrollment process. This was done to remove barriers associated with applying and enrolling through a "welfare" environment. Examples of some of the outreach strategies implemented include:

- Accessing the National Governor's Association sponsored "Insure Kids Now" hotline
- Providing funding for outreach workers to 32 community-based organizations to enroll new children each month
- Targeted mailings to community organizations and school-based personnel
- Distributing information to every school-aged child Kindergarten through 6th grade in the State
- Obtaining media coverage in professional newsletters and Rhode Island newspapers
- Using the Department of Human Services Web-site to disseminate information
- Providing public service announcements and radio and television interviews through the media
- Streamlining the mail-in application in both English and Spanish
- Supporting a bilingual information line.

Increasing the number of insured individuals in the State is an important policy matter because the State understands fully the link between insurance and unmet health care needs. As the next section shows, improved insurance coverage has led to improved access to care.

SECTION IIC: STATE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES AND PERFORMANCE GOALS

This subsection gathers information on your State's general strategic objectives, performance goals, performance measures and progress towards meeting goals, as specified in your SCHIP State Plan. The format of this section has been revised for FFY 2006 to provide your State with an opportunity to track progress over time. This section contains templates for reporting performance measurement data for each of five categories of strategic objectives, related to:

- Reducing the number of uninsured children
- SCHIP enrollment
- Medicaid enrollment
- Increasing access to care
- Use of preventative care (immunizations, well child care)

Please report performance measurement data for the three most recent years for which data are available (to the extent that data are available). In the first two columns, please enter the data you reported for each objective in the previous two years' annual reports (FFY 2004 and FFY 2005). In the third column, please report the most recent data available at the time you are submitting the annual report.

Note that the term *performance measure* is used differently in Section IIA versus IIC. In Section IIA, the term refers to the four core child health measures. In this section, the term is used more broadly, to refer to any data your State provides as evidence towards a particular goal within a strategic objective. For the purpose of this section, "objectives" refer to the five broad categories listed above, while "goals" are State-specific, and should be listed in the appropriate subsections within the space provided for each objective.

NOTES: Please do not reference attachments in this section. If details about a particular measure are located in an attachment, please summarize the relevant information from the attachment in the space provided for each measure.

In addition, please do not report the same data that were reported in Sections IIA or IIB. The intent of this section is to capture goals and measures that your State did not_report elsewhere in Section II.

Additional instructions for completing each row of the table are provided below.

Goal:

For each objective, space has been provided to report up to three goals. Use this section to provide a brief description of each goal you are reporting within a given strategic objective.

Type of Goal:

For each goal you are reporting within a given strategic objective, please indicate the type of goal, as follows:

- New/revised: Check this box if you have revised or added a goal. Please explain how and why the goal was revised.
- Continuing: Check this box if the goal you are reporting is the same one you have reported in previous annual reports.
- Discontinued: Check this box if you have met your goal and/or are discontinuing a goal. Please explain why the goal was discontinued.

Status of Data Reported:
Please indicate the status of the data you are reporting for each goal, as follows:

- Provisional: Check this box if you are reporting performance measure data for a goal, but the data are currently being modified, verified, or may change in any other way before you finalize them for FFY 2006.
- Final: Check this box if the data you are reporting are considered final for FFY 2006.
- Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report: Check this box if the data you are reporting are the same data that your State reported for the goal in another annual report. Indicate in which year's annual report you previously reported the data.

Measurement Specification:
This section is included for only two of the objectives— objectives related to increasing access to care, and objectives related to use of preventative care—because these are the two objectives for which States may report using the HEDIS® measurement specification. In this section, for each goal, please indicate the measurement specification used to calculate your performance measure data (i.e., were the measures calculated using the HEDIS® specifications, HEDIS®-like specifications, or some other method unrelated to HEDIS®). If the measures were calculated using HEDIS® or HEDIS®-like specifications, please indicate which version was used (e.g., HEDIS® 2006). If using HEDIS®-like specifications, please explain how HEDIS® was modified.

Data Source:
For each performance measure, please indicate the source of data. The categories provided in this section vary by objective. For the objectives related to reducing the number of uninsured children and SCHIP or Medicaid enrollment, please indicate whether you have used eligibility/enrollment data, survey data (specify the survey used), or other source. For the objectives related to access to care and use of preventative care, please indicate whether you used administrative data (claims), hybrid data (claims and medical records), survey data (specify the survey used), or other source. In all cases, if another data source was used, please explain the source.

Definition of Population Included in Measure:
Please indicate the definition of the population included in the denominator for each measure (such as age, continuous enrollment, type of delivery system). Also provide a definition of the numerator (such as the number of visits required for inclusion, e.g., one or more visits in the past year).

For measures related to increasing access to care and use of preventative care , please also check one box to indicate whether the data are for the SCHIP population only, or include both SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX) children combined.

Year of Data:
Please report the year of data for each performance measure. The year (or months) should correspond to the *period in which enrollment or utilization took place*. Do *not* report the year in which data were collected for the measure, or the version of HEDIS® used to calculate the measure, both of which may be different from the period corresponding to enrollment or utilization of services.

Performance Measurement Data:
Describe what is being measured: Please provide a brief explanation of the information you intend to capture through the performance measure.

Numerator, Denominator, and Rate: Please report the numerators, denominators, and rates for each measure (or component). For the objectives related to increasing access to care and use of preventative care, the template provides two sections for entering the performance measurement data, depending on whether you are reporting using HEDIS® or HEDIS®-like methodology or a methodology other than HEDIS®. The form fields have been set up to facilitate entering numerators, denominators, and rates for

each measure. If the form fields do not give you enough space to fully report on your measure, please use the “additional notes” section.

If you typically calculate separate rates for each health plan, report the aggregate state-level rate for each measure (or component). The preferred method is to calculate a “weighted rate” by summing the numerators and denominators across plans, and then deriving a single state-level rate based on the ratio of the numerator to the denominator. Alternatively, if numerators and denominators are not available, you may calculate an “unweighted average” by taking the mean rate across health plans.

Explanation of Progress:

The intent of this section is to allow your State to highlight progress and describe any quality improvement activities that may have contributed to your progress. If improvement has not occurred over time, this section can be used to discuss potential reasons for why progress was not seen and to describe future quality improvement plans. In this section, your State is also asked to set annual performance objectives for FFY 2007, 2008, and 2009. Based on your recent performance on the measure (from FFY 2004 through 2006), use a combination of expert opinion and “best guesses” to set objectives for the next three years. Please explain your rationale for setting these objectives. For example, if your rate has been increasing by 3 or 4 percentage points per year, you might project future increases at a similar rate. On the other hand, if your rate has been stable over time, you might set a target that projects a small increase over time. If the rate has been fluctuating over time, you might look more closely at the data to ensure that the fluctuations are not an artifact of the data or the methods used to construct a rate. You might set an initial target that is an average of the recent rates, with slight increases in subsequent years. In future annual reports, you will be asked to comment on how your actual performance compares to the objective your State set for the year, as well as any quality improvement activities that have helped or could help your State meet future objectives.

Other Comments on Measure:

Please use this section to provide any other comments on the measure, such as data limitations or plans to report on a measure in the future.

Objectives Related to Reducing the Number of Uninsured Children (Do not report data that was reported in Section IIB, Questions 2 and 3)

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Goal #1 (Describe)	**Goal #1 (Describe)**	**Goal #1 (Describe)**
Type of Goal: ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:
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Year of Data:	**Year of Data:**	**Year of Data:**
Performance Measurement Data: Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:
Explanation of Progress: **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:** *Explain how these objectives were set:*		

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Other Comments on Measure:		

Objectives Related to Reducing the Number of Uninsured Children (Do not report data that was reported in Section IIB, Questions 2 and 3) (Continued)

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Goal #2 (Describe)	**Goal #2 (Describe)**	**Goal #2 (Describe)**
Type of Goal: ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:
Status of Data Reported: ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*
Data Source: ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data ☐ Survey data. *Specify*: ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data ☐ Survey data. *Specify*: ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data ☐ Survey data. *Specify*: ☐ Other. *Specify*:
Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:
Year of Data:	**Year of Data:**	**Year of Data:**
Performance Measurement Data: Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:
Explanation of Progress: **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:** *Explain how these objectives were set:*		
Other Comments on Measure:		

Objectives Related to Reducing the Number of Uninsured Children (Do not report data that was reported in Section IIB, Questions 2 and 3) (Continued)

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Goal #3 (Describe)	**Goal #3 (Describe)**	**Goal #3 (Describe)**
Type of Goal: ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:
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Data Source: ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data ☐ Survey data. *Specify*: ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data ☐ Survey data. *Specify*: ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data ☐ Survey data. *Specify*: ☐ Other. *Specify*:
Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:
Year of Data:	**Year of Data:**	**Year of Data:**
Performance Measurement Data: Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:
Explanation of Progress: **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:** *Explain how these objectives were set:*		
Other Comments on Measure:		

Objectives Related to SCHIP Enrollment

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Goal #1 (Describe)	**Goal #1 (Describe)**	**Goal #1 (Describe)**
Type of Goal: ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:
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Data Source: ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:
Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:
Year of Data:	**Year of Data:**	**Year of Data:**
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Explanation of Progress: **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:** *Explain how these objectives were set:*		

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Other Comments on Measure:		

Objectives Related to SCHIP Enrollment (Continued)

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Goal #2 (Describe)	**Goal #2 (Describe)**	**Goal #2 (Describe)**
Type of Goal: ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:
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Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:
Year of Data:	**Year of Data:**	**Year of Data:**
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Explanation of Progress: **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:** *Explain how these objectives were set:*		

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Other Comments on Measure:		

Objectives Related to SCHIP Enrollment (Continued)

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Goal #3 (Describe)	**Goal #3 (Describe)**	**Goal #3 (Describe)**
Type of Goal: ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:
Status of Data Reported: ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*
Data Source: ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:
Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:
Year of Data:	**Year of Data:**	**Year of Data:**
Performance Measurement Data: Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:
Explanation of Progress: **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:** *Explain how these objectives were set:*		

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Other Comments on Measure:		

Objectives Related to Medicaid Enrollment

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Goal #1 (Describe)	**Goal #1 (Describe)**	**Goal #1 (Describe)**
Type of Goal: ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☒ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☒ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☒ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:
Status of Data Reported: ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☒ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:* 2004	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☒ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:* 2005	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☒ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*
Data Source: ☒ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☒ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☒ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:
Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:
Year of Data: 2004	**Year of Data:** 2005	**Year of Data:** 2006
Performance Measurement Data: Described what is being measured: The number of individuals enrolled in RIte Care and RIte Share as September 30th of each year RIte Care RIte Share 119,294 5,873 Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure: These enrollment levels do not include foster children and children with special health care needs who are enrolled in RIte Care on a voluntary basis	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: RIte Care RIte Share 118,741 5,640 Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure: These enrollment levels do not include foster children and children with special health care needs who are enrolled in RIte Care on a voluntary basis	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: RIte Care RIte Share 117,005 5,775 Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure: These enrollment levels do not include foster children and children with special health care needs who are enrolled in RIte Care on a voluntary basis

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Explanation of Progress: **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:** *Explain how these objectives were set:*		
Other Comments on Measure:		

Objectives Related to Medicaid Enrollment (Continued)

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Goal #2 (Describe)	**Goal #2 (Describe)**	**Goal #2 (Describe)**
Type of Goal: ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:
Status of Data Reported: ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*
Data Source: ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:
Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:
Year of Data:	**Year of Data:**	**Year of Data:**
Performance Measurement Data: Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:
Explanation of Progress: **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:** *Explain how these objectives were set:*		

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Other Comments on Measure:		

Objectives Related to Medicaid Enrollment (Continued)

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Goal #3 (Describe)	**Goal #3 (Describe)**	**Goal #3 (Describe)**
Type of Goal: ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:
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Data Source: ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Eligibility/Enrollment data. ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:
Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: Definition of numerator:
Year of Data:	**Year of Data:**	**Year of Data:**
Performance Measurement Data: Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Performance Measurement Data:** Described what is being measured: Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:
Explanation of Progress: **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:** *Explain how these objectives were set:*		
Other Comments on Measure:		

Objectives Increasing Access to Care (Usual Source of Care, Unmet Need)

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Goal #1 (Describe) Increase the percentage of child enrollees who access a PCP	**Goal #1 (Describe)** Increase the percentage of child enrollees who access a PCP	**Goal #1 (Describe)** Increase the percentage of child enrollees who access a PCP
Type of Goal: ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☒ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☒ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☒ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:
Status of Data Reported: ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☒ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:* 2004	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☒ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:* 2005	**Status of Data Reported:** ☒ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:* 2006
Measurement Specification: ☒HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*: Medicaid	**Measurement Specification:** ☒HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*:	**Measurement Specification:** ☒HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*: Medicaid
Data Source: ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☒ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☒ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☒ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:
Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator: HEDIS Specifications	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator: HEDIS Specifications	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator: HEDIS Specifications
Year of Data:	**Year of Data:**	**Year of Data:**
HEDIS Performance Measurement Data: *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure: Aggregate measure used: Denominator: 31,150 Denominator: 33,483 Rate: 93.0%	**HEDIS Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure: Aggregate measure used: Denominator: 32,413 Denominator: 34,785 Rate: 93.2%	**HEDIS Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure: Aggregate measure used: Denominator: 32,588 Denominator: 34,566 Rate: 94.3%

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Performance Measurement Data: *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Other Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Other Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:
Explanation of Progress: **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:** *Explain how these objectives were set:*		
Other Comments on Measure:		

Objectives Related to Increasing Access to Care (Usual Source of Care, Unmet Need) (Continued)

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Goal #2 (Describe)	**Goal #2 (Describe)**	**Goal #2 (Describe)**
Type of Goal: ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:
Status of Data Reported: ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*	**Status of Data Reported:** ☐ Provisional. ☐ Final. ☐ Same data as reported in a previous year's annual report. *Specify year of annual report in which data previously reported:*
Measurement Specification: ☐HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*:	**Measurement Specification:** ☐HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*:	**Measurement Specification:** ☐HEDIS. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: ☐HEDIS-like. *Specify version of HEDIS used*: *Explain how HEDIS was modified*: ☐Other. *Explain*:
Data Source: ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☐ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☐ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:	**Data Source:** ☐ Administrative (claims data). ☐ Hybrid (claims and medical record data). ☐ Survey data. ☐ Other. *Specify*:
Definition of Population Included in the Measure: Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator:	**Definition of Population Included in the Measure:** Definition of denominator: ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP population only. ☐ Denominator includes SCHIP and Medicaid (Title XIX). Definition of numerator:
Year of Data:	**Year of Data:**	**Year of Data:**
HEDIS Performance Measurement Data: *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**HEDIS Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**HEDIS Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with HEDIS/HEDIS-like methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Other Performance Measurement Data: *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Other Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:	**Other Performance Measurement Data:** *(If reporting with another methodology)* Numerator: Denominator: Rate: Additional notes on measure:
Explanation of Progress: **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2007:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2008:** **Annual Performance Objective for FFY 2009:** *Explain how these objectives were set:*		
Other Comments on Measure:		

Objectives Related to Increasing Access to Care (Usual Source of Care, Unmet Need) (Continued)

FFY 2004	FFY 2005	FFY 2006
Goal #3 (Describe)	**Goal #3 (Describe)**	**Goal #3 (Describe)**
Type of Goal: ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:	**Type of Goal:** ☐ New/revised. *Explain*: ☐ Continuing. ☐ Discontinued. *Explain*:
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Other Comments on Measure: As part of the RIte Care Performance Goal Program, the "standard" for this measure is 95 percent.		

Objectives Related to Use of Preventative Care (Immunizations, Well Child Care)

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Other Comments on Measure: As part of the RIte Care Performance Goal Program, the "standard" for this measure is 85 percent.		

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1. What other strategies does your State use to measure and report on access to, quality, or outcomes of care received by your SCHIP population? What have you found?

Rhode Island's Quality Strategy

From the very beginning of RIte Care, the State has taken to heart that it is a demonstration program. The State also crafted and has implemented an extensive research and evaluation program to determine how well RIte Care has done in accomplishing its goals. In fact, research began before RIte Care was actually implemented in order to have some baseline data for comparison with demonstration results. In conformance with 42 CFR 438.204, the State has prepared a strategy to assess access to, the quality of, and the timeliness of care rendered to RIte Care enrollees. This quality strategy may be found at:

http://www.ritecare.ri.gov/documents/reports_publications/Rhode_Island_Strategy_For_Assessing_Quality.pdf

CMS is using elements of the State's quality strategy in quality technical assistance materials it has made available to all States.

Results

Rhode Island reports the results of two components of the State's quality strategy: (1) encounter data analysis and (2) performance incentive program.

Encounter Data Analysis

The RIte Care Health Plans have worked diligently to implement an encounter data reporting system. Such a reporting system is one of the Special Terms and Conditions imposed by the Federal Government in granting the State the waivers necessary to implement RIte Care. An encounter data system is designed to identify services provided to an individual and track utilization over time and across service categories, provider types, and treatment facilities. Unique features and functional components of encounter data include:

· Episode-specific: services associated with a particular episode of care are grouped together

· Person-level: able to track individuals though the system

· Standardized: all Health Plans are reporting using the same definition

· Longitudinal: able to track people across reporting period

· Comprehensive: able to track people across service and treatment categories

Information from the Rhode Island Encounter Data System has been reported since 1998, when a level of reporting consistency was reached and data were verified. Monitoring utilization is important in assuring that enrollees have access to needed services, In the areas of

· Hospital admissions by service

· Hospital patient days by service

· Length of stay by service

· Emergency Department use by Category

· Physician visits by Primary Care Specialty

Performance Incentive Program

A performance incentive program was implemented in July 1, 1998, under which Health Plans can earn payments over and above capitation payments for the attainment of administrative, access, and clinical goals. DHS offers each Health Plan monetary incentives as a reward for improvements in performance, information accuracy, and the completeness of data submitted. Each Health Plan may earn up to $1.25 per member per month (PMPM) in incentive payments. The State did so "to improve care by using

available health plan data on access and outcomes" and "to improve the quality of health plan performance data." This was part of an ongoing strategy of partnership with the Health Plans, with both the State and the Health Plans committed to continuous quality improvement for RIte Care. The "approach leverages a comparatively small amount of money in spotlight areas that DHS considers important."

The program includes not only all of those measured specified in Section II herein, but a total of 26 measures (it began with 21) in six areas, or categories, of focus. Health Plans have been making considerable progress towards attaining the standards set forth in the program. Results for the program for SFYs 2005 and 2006 may be found at:

http://www.ritecare.ri.gov/documents/reports_publications/final%20PGP%20report%2010-2-06.pdf

Also of immense importance is that RIte Care Health Plans must be National Committee for Quality Assurance- (NCQA-) accredited. Of all Medicaid plans rated by NCQA and ranked by U.S. News and World Report, the RIte Care Health Plans were ranked as follows:

- 1st – Neighborhood Health Plan of Rhode Island
- 2nd – Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Rhode Island
- 4th – United Healthcare of New England

2. What strategies does your SCHIP program have for future measurement and reporting on access to, quality, or outcomes of care received by your SCHIP population? When will data be available?

The State of Rhode Island will continue implementation of its overall quality strategy. The State re-procured its Health Plan contracts in SFY 2005. As part of this process, the Performance Goal Program was revised to make greater use of HEDIS® measures for the access and quality domains. This was done to capitalize on available information that is already validated, so as not to duplicate efforts.

3. Have you conducted any focused quality studies on your SCHIP population, e.g., adolescents, attention deficit disorder, substance abuse, special heath care needs or other emerging health care needs? What have you found?

The State had its external quality review organization (EQRO) conduct a clinical focused study of prenatal care, including the content of prenatal care.

4. Please attach any additional studies, analyses or other documents addressing outreach, enrollment, access, quality, utilization, costs, satisfaction, or other aspects of your SCHIP program's performance. Please list attachments here and summarize findings or list main findings.

The State has made a concerted effort to make its reports and analyses available on-line. Accordingly, DHS reports on RIte Care and RIte Share may be accessed on-line at:

http://www.ritecareresearch.org

Enter any Narrative text below.

SECTION III: ASSESSMENT OF STATE PLAN AND PROGRAM OPERATION

Please reference and summarize attachments that are relevant to specific questions

OUTREACH

1. How have you redirected/changed your outreach strategies during the reporting period?

   The State has not redirected or changed its outreach strategy.

2. What methods have you found most effective in reaching low-income, uninsured children (e.g., T.V., school outreach, word-of-mouth)? How have you measured effectiveness?

   Historically, contracting with community-based organization (CBOs) that were compensated directly for enrolling children was the most effective.

3. Is your state targeting outreach to specific populations (e.g., minorities, immigrants, and children living in rural areas)? Have these efforts been successful, and how have you measured effectiveness?

   CBO contracting was very successful in reaching Spanish-speaking populations and other minority groups.

SUBSTITUTION OF COVERAGE (CROWD-OUT)

States with a separate child health program above 200 through 250% of FPL must complete question 1. All other states with trigger mechanisms should also answer this question.

1. Does your state cover children between 200 and 250 percent of the FPL or does it identify a trigger mechanism or point at which a substitution prevention policy is instituted?

   ☒ Yes
   ☐ No
   ☐ N/A

   If yes, please identify the trigger mechanisms or point at which your substitution prevention policy is instituted.

   The principal method is to monitor the availability of private health insurance at the time of Initial application (and re-determination). A data matching capability facilitated by State legislation mandating reporting by commercial insurers has enabled greater identification of private coverage for all of Medicaid.

States with separate child health programs over 250% of FPL must complete question 2. All other states with substitution prevention provisions should also answer this question.

2. Does your state cover children above 250 percent of the FPL or does it employ substitution prevention provisions?

   ☐ Yes
   ☐ No
   ☒ N/A

If yes, identify your substitution prevention provisions (waiting periods, etc.).

All States must complete the following 3 questions

3. Describe how substitution of coverage is monitored and measured and the effectiveness of your policies.

   RIte Care enrollment is monitored and has leveled off, while overall enrollment grew. This offers prime facie evidence that the State's crowd-out policies are working.

4. At the time of application, what percent of applicants are found to have insurance?

   Approximately 15 percent.

5. Describe the incidence of substitution. What percent of applicants drop group health plan coverage to enroll in SCHIP?

   Because of the data matching against commercial coverage and mandatory enrollment in RIte Care, the State believes that substitution, if any, would be quite minimal.

COORDINATION BETWEEN SCHIP AND MEDICAID

(This subsection should be completed by States with a Separate Child Health Program)

1. Do you have the same redetermination procedures to renew eligibility for Medicaid and SCHIP (e.g., the same verification and interview requirements)? Please explain.

   The processes are identical.

2. Please explain the process that occurs when a child's eligibility status changes from Medicaid to SCHIP and from SCHIP to Medicaid. Have you identified any challenges? If so, please explain.

   After birth, unborn children automatically become Medicaid-eligible for the first year of life irrespective of any changes in income.

3. Are the same delivery systems (including provider networks) used in Medicaid and SCHIP? Please explain.

   Unborn children are enrolled in the same RIte Care-participating Health Plans.

ELIGIBILITY REDETERMINATION AND RETENTION

1. What measures does your State employ to retain eligible children in SCHIP? Please check all that apply and provide descriptions as requested.

☒ Conducts follow-up with clients through caseworkers/outreach workers

☒ Sends renewal reminder notices to all families

- How many notices are sent to the family prior to disenrolling the child from the program?
  Three
- At what intervals are reminder notices sent to families (e.g., how many weeks before the end of the current eligibility period is a follow-up letter sent if the renewal has not been received by the State?)
  60 days, 30 days and 10 days. Also Health Plans are sent notices approximately 30 days prior to termination.

☐ Sends targeted mailings to selected populations

- Please specify population(s) (e.g., lower income eligibility groups)

☒ Holds information campaigns

☒ Provides a simplified reenrollment process,

Please describe efforts (e.g., reducing the length of the application, creating combined Medicaid/SCHIP application)

The application was reduced by more than one-half, a combined application is used, and the application is available now on-line. In addition, the revised renewal form only requires that the client sign and date the pre-completed form if information has not changed

☒ Conducts surveys or focus groups with disenrollees to learn more about reasons for disenrollment *please describe:*

The State has conducted disenrollment surveys for both RIte Care and RIte Share. The most recent survey focused on the effects of increased cost-sharing. Analysis of 1,853 families who were first sanctioned (i.e., terminated from participation in RIte Care for non-payment of premiums) in Calendar Year 2002 showed that 59 percent of these families returned to RIte Care coverage. Four percent met other Medical Assistance criteria, and 36 percent did not have coverage.

☐ Other, *please explain*:

2. Which of the above strategies appear to be the most effective? Have you evaluated the effectiveness of any strategies? If so, please describe the evaluation, including data sources and methodology.

3. Does your State generate monthly reports or conduct assessments that track the outcomes of individuals who disenroll, or do not reenroll, in SCHIP (e.g., how many obtain other public or private coverage, how many remain uninsured, how many age-out, how many move to a new geographic area)

   ☒ Yes
   ☐ No
   ☐ N/A

   When was the monthly report or assessment last conducted?

If you responded yes to the question above, please provide a summary of the most recent findings (in the table below) from these reports and/or assessments.

Findings from Report/Assessment on Individuals Who Disenroll, or Do Not Reenroll in SCHIP

Total Number of Dis-enrollees	**Obtain other public or private coverage**		**Remain uninsured**		**Age-out**		**Move to new geographic area**		**Other**	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent

1,853	1,183	64	670	36						

Please describe the data source (e.g., telephone or mail survey, focus groups) used to derive this information.

The data were derived from a telephone survey of those families disenrolled from RIte Care due to non-payment of cost-sharing during a specified time period.

COST SHARING

1. Has your State undertaken any assessment of the effects of premiums/enrollment fees on participation in SCHIP? If so, what have you found?

   See response to the immediately preceding question

2. Has your State undertaken any assessment of the effects of cost sharing on utilization of health services in SCHIP? If so, what have you found?

   No, because there are neither co-payments nor coinsurance that are applicable.

3. If your state has increased or decreased cost sharing in the past federal fiscal year, has the state undertaken any assessment of the impact of these changes on application, enrollment, disenrollment, and utilization of health services in SCHIP. If so, what have you found?

PREMIUM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM(S) UNDER SCHIP STATE PLAN

1. Does your State offer a premium assistance program for children and/or adults using Title XXI funds under any of the following authorities?

   ☒ Yes, please answer questions below.
   ☐ No, skip to Program Integrity subsection.

Children

☒ Yes, Check all that apply and complete each question for each authority.

☒ Premium Assistance under the State Plan
☒ Family Coverage Waiver under the State Plan
☐ SCHIP Section 1115 Demonstration
☒ Medicaid Section 1115 Demonstration
☐ Health Insurance Flexibility & Accountability Demonstration
☐ Premium Assistance under the Medicaid State Plan (Section 1906 HIPP)

Adults

☒ Yes, Check all that apply and complete each question for each authority.

☐ Premium Assistance under the State Plan (Incidentally)
☒ Family Coverage Waiver under the State Plan
☒ SCHIP Section 1115 Demonstration
☒ Medicaid Section 1115 Demonstration
☐ Health Insurance Flexibility & Accountability Demonstration
☐ Premium Assistance under the Medicaid State Plan (Section 1906 HIPP)

2. Please indicate which adults your State covers with premium assistance. (Check all that apply.)

☒ Parents and Caretaker Relatives
☐ Childless Adults

3. Briefly describe your program (including current status, progress, difficulties, etc.)

RIte Share was implemented in February 2001 by signing up participating employers on a voluntary basis. Effective January 1, 2002, enrollment in RIte Share became mandatory for individuals, although the Department of Human Services (DHS) began transitioning RIte Care enrollees with access to ESI to RIte Share in April 2001. Under RIte Share, DHS pays all or a part of an eligible family's monthly premium, based upon income and family size, for an employer's DHS-approved ESI. RIte Share provides for coverage of all Medicaid benefits as wrap-around coverage to ESI as well as co-payments and deductibles.

The goal of RIte Share is to support families in their efforts to obtain or maintain ESI. Enrollment of both employees and employers in RIte Share has continued to grow. As of January 2002, 117 employers were approved for participation in RIte Share. As of July 31, 2006, 1,056 employers were approved for participation in RIte Share.

At the time RIte Share became mandatory, DHS estimated that there were 7,000 workers, employed by 4,500 companies, who were eligible to be transitioned to RIte Share. However, not all workers are eligible for commercial health insurance through their employers because of, for example, part-time employment or probationary periods.

To discourage crowd-out (i.e., substituting public coverage for ESI), the State is using a combination of the mandatory enrollment in RIte Share and cost-sharing. Since January 1, 2002, all families in RIte Care or RIte Share have been required to pay a portion of the cost of their health insurance coverage if their income is above 150 percent of the FPL (e.g., $24,135 for a family of three). In November 2001, families received two letters and an official notice about the change. The first monthly bills were sent in December 2001, requiring payment by January 1, 2002. Rhode Island was one of four States increasing enrollee cost-sharing in 2002, with another 11 States were expected to do so in 2003.

Monthly premium shares are collected in two ways:

· For RIte Care members, DHS sends a bill and the family pays DHS directly by mailing a check

·For RIte Share members, DHS deducts the monthly premium share from the amount it reimburses the member for the employee's share of employer coverage

RIte Share has generally accomplished its purpose and has saved the State a considerable amount – for every 1,000 enrolled in RIte Share, the State saves $1 million in RIte Care. Several circumstances make it challenging for RIte Share to realize its full potential for enrollment:

· Employers are not required to submit information about their health insurance benefits to the Rhode Island Department of Human Services (DHS), making it difficult to transition RIte Care members to RIte Share.

· Federal ERISA laws pre-empt any State law that would require employers to enroll RIte Share-eligible families in the employer-sponsored health insurance outside of open enrollment periods.

· Federal Medicaid rules mandate different levels of benefits for family members (children, adults, and pregnant women) making it complex for RIte Share to offer different levels of wrap-around coverage within a family.

· Increases in premiums are being passed on to employees, making it more difficult to meet cost-effectiveness tests for Federal financial participation (FFP).

· Employers are adopting health plans with increased member cost-sharing (e.g., high deductibles) and scaled-down benefits that make it harder to "warp around".

· Health Savings Accounts (HSAs) and other flexible benefit programs make it more difficult to mandate that employees take up coverage.

Despite these challenges, RIte Share makes ESI coverage affordable for many families while saving the State money. As former Governor Lincoln Almond has noted in this regard:

"The efforts of the Department of Human Services staff have achieved important savings that will help us maintain the high quality of our health care insurance services. The expanded RIte Share enrollments help maintain health insurance that is affordable for low-income residents and the state itself, while at the same time supporting enrollment in employer-sponsored health insurance plans."

Jane Hayward, then Director of DHS, has noted:

"We are thrilled that RIte Share has enrolled so many families in such a short time period. It's a testament to the hard work of all staff who were involved with implementing RIte Share. We are encouraged by this early success as we head into our second year."

The State will continue to transition Medicaid-eligible families who have access to ESI into RIte Share in an effort to contain the growth in the cost of health insurance for Medicaid eligibles, while simultaneously addressing the level of uninsurance in the State. The State's focus is clear, as Tricia Leddy, Administrator of DHS' Center for Child and Family Health, has noted:

"Our goal is to supplement employer-base coverage in an appropriate and cost-effective way. The key to why premium-assistance programs are so important for Medicaid is that they allow state to continue to reduce the number of uninsured using scarce state dollars most efficiently."

4. What benefit package does the program use?

The State uses Medicaid coverage, with coverage of commercial co-payments, deductibles, and wraparound for Medicaid-covered services as necessary.

5. Does the program provide wrap-around coverage for benefits or cost sharing?

Yes, both; see 3 and 4 above.

6. Identify the total number of children and adults enrolled in the premium assistance program for whom Title XXI funds are used during the reporting period (provide the number of adults enrolled in premium assistance even if they were covered incidentally and not via the SCHIP family coverage provision).

1417	Number of adults ever-enrolled during the reporting period
4903	Number of children ever-enrolled during the reporting period

7. Identify the estimated amount of substitution, if any, that occurred or was prevented as a result of your premium assistance program. How was this measured?

With RIte Share now being mandatory and data matching capabilities for commercial insurance, there should be minimal substitution.

8. During the reporting period, what has been the greatest challenge your premium assistance program has experienced?

See the challenges listed in 3 above.

9. During the reporting period, what accomplishments have been achieved in your premium assistance program?

Employers continue to seek participation in RIte Share and enrollment in RIte Share has reached an all-time high. At the same time, as noted in 3 above, the State continues to save money as more individuals are enrolled in RIte Share.

10. What changes have you made or are planning to make in your premium assistance program during the next fiscal year? Please comment on why the changes are planned.

No changes are planned at this time.

11. Indicate the effect of your premium assistance program on access to coverage. How was this measured?

See Substitution of Coverage (Crowd-Out) 3.

12. What do you estimate is the impact of premium assistance on enrollment and retention of children? How was this measured?

See Substitution of Coverage (Crowd-Out) 3. In addition, there is probably some improvement in retention due to the added staff intervention for some recipient families. For those families subject to cost-sharing, their automatic deductions reduce the risk of disenrollment for failure to pay.

13. Identify the total state expenditures for family coverage during the reporting period. **(For states offering premium assistance under a family coverage waiver only.)**

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PROGRAM INTEGRITY (COMPLETE ONLY WITH REGARD TO SEPARATE SCHIP PROGRAMS (I.E. THOSE THAT ARE NOT MEDICAID EXPANSIONS)

1. Does your state have a written plan that has safeguards and establishes methods and procedures for prevention, investigation and referral of cases of fraud and abuse? Please explain.
The methods and procedures for the separate child health program are identical to Medicaid, as enrollment in the separate child health program represents only about 1 percent of the total RIte Care enrollment.

2. For the reporting period, please indicate the number of cases investigated, and cases referred, regarding fraud and abuse in the following areas:

a) Provider credentialing

Number of cases investigated

Number of cases referred to appropriate law enforcement officials

b) Provider billing

Number of cases investigated

Number of cases referred to appropriate law enforcement officials

c) Beneficiary eligibility

Number of cases investigated

Number of cases referred to appropriate law enforcement officials

3. If your state relies on contractors to perform the above functions, how does your state provide oversight of those contractors?

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SECTION IV: PROGRAM FINANCING FOR STATE PLAN

1. Please complete the following table to provide budget information. Describe in narrative any details of your planned use of funds below, including the assumptions on which this budget was based (per member/per month rate, estimated enrollment and source of non-Federal funds). (*Note: This reporting period =Federal Fiscal Year 2005. If you have a combination program you need only submit one budget; programs do not need to be reported separately.)*

COST OF APPROVED SCHIP PLAN

Benefit Costs	**2006**	**2007**	**2008**
Insurance payments			
Managed Care	19,770,735	21,648,954	23705604
per member/per month rate @ # of eligibles			
Fee for Service	15,068,029	16,499,491	18,066,942
Total Benefit Costs	34,838,764	38,148,445	41,772,546
(Offsetting beneficiary cost sharing payments)			
Net Benefit Costs	$ 34,838,764	$ 38,148,445	$ 41,772,546

Administration Costs			
Personnel	1,348,643	1,476,764	1,617,057
General Administration	1,305,632	1,429,667	1,565,485
Contractors/Brokers (e.g., enrollment contractors)	704,261	771,166	844,427
Claims Processing	125,761	137,708	1,507,791
Outreach/Marketing costs	251,522	275,417	301,581
Other Indirect cost	131,767	144,285	157,992
Health Services Initiatives			
Total Administration Costs	3,867,586	4,235,007	5,994,333
10% Administrative Cap (net benefit costs ÷ 9)	3,870,974	4,238,716	4,641,394

Federal Title XXI Share	26,366,766	28,248,571	31,889,168
State Share	12,339,584	14,134,881	15,877,711

TOTAL COSTS OF APPROVED SCHIP PLAN	38,706,350	42,383,452	47,766,879

2. What were the sources of non-Federal funding used for State match during the reporting period?

- ☒ State appropriations
- ☐ County/local funds
- ☐ Employer contributions
- ☐ Foundation grants
- ☐ Private donations
- ☐ Tobacco settlement

☐ Other (specify)

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SECTION V: 1115 DEMONSTRATION WAIVERS (FINANCED BY SCHIP)

Please reference and summarize attachments that are relevant to specific questions.

1. If you do not have a Demonstration Waiver financed with SCHIP funds skip to Section VI. If you do, please complete the following table showing whom you provide coverage to.

	SCHIP Non-HIFA Demonstration Eligibility					HIFA Waiver Demonstration Eligibility				
Children	From		% of FPL to		% of FPL	From		% of FPL to		% of FPL
Parents	From	100	% of FPL to	185	% of FPL	From		% of FPL to		% of FPL
Childless Adults	From		% of FPL to		% of FPL	From		% of FPL to		% of FPL
Pregnant Women	From	185	% of FPL to	250	% of FPL	From		% of FPL to		% of FPL

2. Identify the total number of children and adults ever enrolled (an unduplicated enrollment count) in your SCHIP demonstration during the reporting period.

_____	Number of **children** ever enrolled during the reporting period in the demonstration
20771	Number of **parents** ever enrolled during the reporting period in the demonstration
354	Number of **pregnant women** ever enrolled during the reporting period in the demonstration
_____	Number of **childless adults** ever enrolled during the reporting period in the demonstration

3. What have you found about the impact of covering adults on enrollment, retention, and access to care of children?
Without the waiver to cover parents (and relative caretakers) and pregnant women, the State would probably have had to curtail eligibility for these groups. This would have adversely affected not only them but also the enrollment and retention of children.

4. Please provide budget information in the following table for the years in which the demonstration is approved. *Note: This reporting period (Federal Fiscal Year 2005 starts 10/1/04 and ends 9/30/05).*

COST PROJECTIONS OF DEMONSTRATION (SECTION 1115 or HIFA)	**2006**	**2007**	**2008**	**2009**	**2010**
Benefit Costs for Demonstration Population #1 (e.g., children)					
Insurance Payments					
Managed care					
per member/per month rate @ # of eligibles					
Fee for Service					
Total Benefit Costs for Waiver Population #1	0	0	0	0	
Benefit Costs for Demonstration Population #2 (e.g., parents)					

Insurance Payments					
Managed care	36924462	40432285	44273352		
per member/per month rate @ # of eligibles					
Fee for Service	3067505	3358978	3678015		
Total Benefit Costs for Waiver Population #2	39991967	43791263	47951367	0	

Benefit Costs for Demonstration Population #3
(e.g., pregnant women)

Insurance Payments					
Managed care	354271	387927	424780		
per member/per month rate @ # of eligibles					
Fee for Service	650005	711755	779372		
Total Benefit Costs for Waiver Population #3	1004276	1099682	1204152	0	

Benefit Costs for Demonstration Population #4
(e.g., childless adults)

Insurance Payments					
Managed care					
per member/per month rate @ # of eligibles					
Fee for Service					
Total Benefit Costs for Waiver Population #3	0	0	0	0	

Total Benefit Costs	40996243	44890945	49155519	0	
(Offsetting Beneficiary Cost Sharing Payments)					
Net Benefit Costs (Total Benefit Costs - Offsetting Beneficiary Cost Sharing Payments)	40996243	44890945	49155519	0	

Administration Costs

Personnel	1589516	1740520	1905869		
General Administration	1538882	1685076	1845158		
Contractors/Brokers *(e.g., enrollment contractors)*	830077	908934	995283		
Claims Processing	148228	162310	177729		
Outreach/Marketing costs	296565	324838	355698		
Other *(specify)*	155307	170061	186217		
Total Administration Costs	4558575	4991739	5465954	0	
10% Administrative Cap (net benefit costs ÷ 9)	4555138	4987883	5461724	0	

Federal Title XXI Share	31031942	33246809	36465295	0	
State Share	14522876	16635875	18156178	0	

TOTAL COSTS OF DEMONSTRATION	45554818	49882684	54621473	0	

When was your budget last updated (please include month, day and year)?

July 1, 2006, corresponding to SFY 2007

Please provide a description of any assumptions that are included in your calculations.

The major assumptions in the budget calculations are:

- The Section 1115 SCHIP waiver will continue beyond its current July 31, 2008 expiration date,

- Redistributed SCHIP funds will continue be available in sufficient amounts to fund fully the State's costs of serving the State's SCHIP-eligible populations.

- The State's SCHIP costs will increase at 9.5 percent in FFY 2007 and FFY 2008.

Other notes relevant to the budget:

SECTION VI: PROGRAM CHALLENGES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. For the reporting period, please provide an overview of your state's political and fiscal environment as it relates to health care for low income, uninsured children and families, and how this environment impacted SCHIP.

   Federal Fiscal Year 2006 continued to be a trying one for the State from a budgetary perspective. The economy continued to languish and public programs, overall, continued to be stressed as a result. Funding support for public education was a continuing challenge, forcing other public services to compete even more.

2. During the reporting period, what has been the greatest challenge your program has experienced?

   The most significant challenge was the ongoing budget crisis, due to the slow economic recovery and an overall reduction in Federal funding. Tremendous pressure has been placed on the Federal SCHIP allocation to the State, as it was expended fully until redistributed funds become available -- with the greatest unknown variable being the actual amount redistributed funds the State might receive. At the end of FFY 2006, this was unknown.

3. During the reporting period, what accomplishments have been achieved in your program?

   The State's most significant accomplishment has been maintaining RIte Care and RIte Share in the face of severe economic constraints. Unlike a number of other States, eligibility was not capped or otherwise reduced and/or benefits sharply reduced.

4. What changes have you made or are planning to make in your SCHIP program during the next fiscal year? Please comment on why the changes are planned.

   In general, the State's plan is to maintain the status quo. One eligibility change will be to implement a $10,000 liquid asset test enacted by the Rhode Island General Assembly that will be effective upon CMS State Plan and Section 1115 SCHIP waiver amendment approval. The State's ability to maintain the rest of the SCHIP program as is may or may not be possible, particularly if reductions in the Federal Medicaid and SCHIP appropriations contemplated actually occur. An immense consideration in this regard is, of course, Federal SCHIP reauthorization and its statutory parameters, which was, as of the end of FFY 2006, a total unknown. In addition, compliance with the Payment Error Rate Methodology (PERM) Interim Final Rule has been estimated by the State to require the State to make programmatic changes as the State faces its first SCHIP PERM review in FFY 2007. The magnitude of the impact on SCHIP would be on terminating enrollees from the program, not due any payment error but due to the costs of PERM compliance. It would consume the State's entire administrative allotment that is subject to a 10 percent cap. The State does not believe that these types of consequences are what Congress intended when it enacted the Improper Payments Information Act.

   Implementation of the Medicaid Integrity Program, changing Federal policy of which the State is not always aware but becomes aware of after-the-fact through audits or other program reviews, for example, and expanded Federal data collection efforts through new quality initiatives and ad hoc efforts are also placing increased pressure on the State's administrative resources.

   These factors may have the aggregate effect of forcing the State to sharply curtail its SCHIP program, thereby further increasing the level of uninsurance among low-income children. That would represent a colossal failure for not just the State but for the Nation.

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