

Back-to-School Outreach Strategies
July 9, 2013 | 3:00 to 4:15 p.m. EST

# **Agenda**

- Back-to-School Outreach
  - Why Back-to-School?
  - What you can do
- Partner Spotlight, INOVA Hospital
- Bringing it all together



#### **Be Part of the Conversation**

Do you have tried and true, high-impact, high-energy Back-to-School ideas?

Send us your top three!



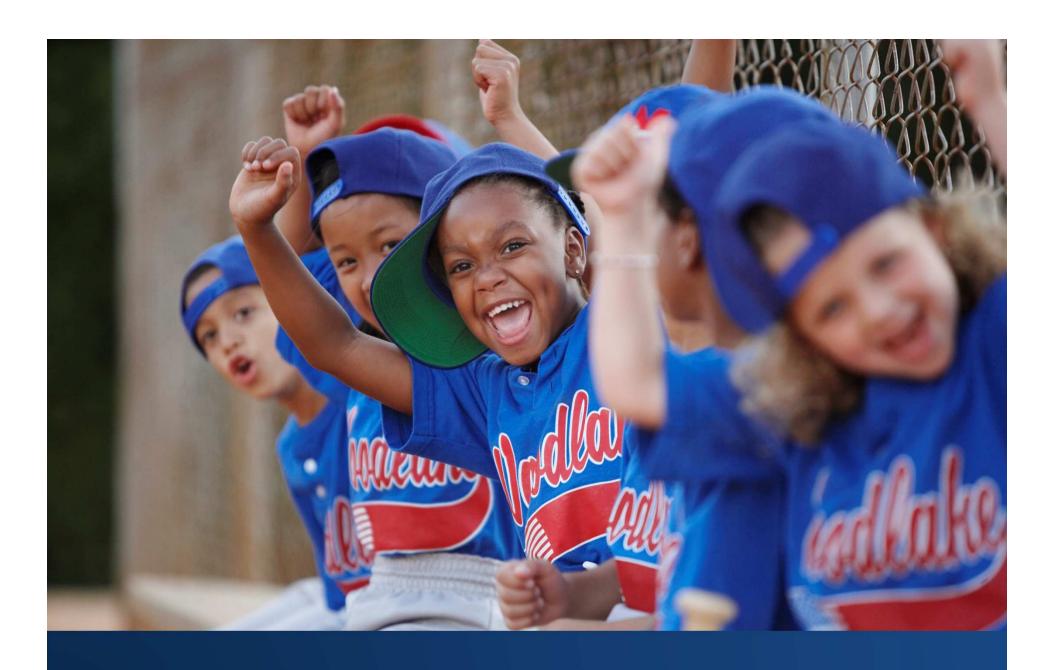
## Why Back-to-School?

- Great time for outreach to parents of eligible children
- Schools are trusted sources of information for parents
- Targets parents when they are thinking about immunizations, sports physicals, etc.
- Healthy children and teens are better students

#### What Makes Outreach Successful?

- Target activities in schools and neighborhoods where children are likely to be eligible
- Connect with parents or caregivers
- Enlist trained application assistors





Outreach Ideas that Make the Grade

#### **Time for an Instant Poll**

- What's in your Back-to-School plan?
  - Work with local school districts
  - Work with a local retail chain
  - Host a press event
  - Partner with community events that are already taking place
  - Nothing planned yet—help me get started!



#### **Opportunities for School Based Activities**

- School registration and orientation
- Back-to-School nights
- PTA/organizational meetings
- Parent-teacher conferences
- Athletic season openers and training camps
- School newsletters and social media pages



## **Opportunities for Community Activities**

- Backpack giveaways/school supply drives
- Back-to-School fairs with elected officials
- Retail partnerships for Back-to-School shopping
- Back-to-School health fairs or immunization drives
- Partnerships with health care providers and clinics

## **Reaching Out to Media**

- Share event with community calendars
- Do you have spokespeople you can enlist?
  - Families already on Medicaid or CHIP
  - A passionate teacher, school administrator or other health coverage champion



#### Be Part of the Conversation

 Tell us your best way of incorporating Medicaid and CHIP enrollment into your Back-to-School activities





# Partnership for Healthier Kids

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## **Inova Partnership for Healthier Kids**

- Nationally and locally recognized schoolbased model
- Conducts outreach and enrollment assistance to connect uninsured children to health care services.





# **Free School Physical Events**

Collaborate with the school system, health departments and faith community to provide free school-entry physicals and immunizations to children

entering school for the first time

 Pre-registers families and screens children for Medicaid and CHIP

Provides application and enrollment assistance

Results: Generates 400+ referrals





## Free & Reduced Price Lunch Mailing

Sent to families in Free & Reduced Price Lunch confirmation mailing (English & Spanish)



#### DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE?

Healthy Kids Make Great Students!

#### FAMIS Covers:

Doctors visits
Well-child Checkups
Shots & Prescriptions
Dental & Vision Care
Hospital Stays & ER Care
Mental Health Care
Tests & X-rays
And more...

- If your children are uninsured, FAMIS may be able to help
- Applying for FAMIS is quick and easy
- No enrollment fees or premiums

A family of four can make as much as \$46,100 a year and <u>STILL</u> qualify!

Partnership for Healthier Kids can help you apply!

Call us at: 703-698-2550

Remember, if you enrolled in FAMIS last year, it may be time to renew. FAMIS must be renewed every 12 months



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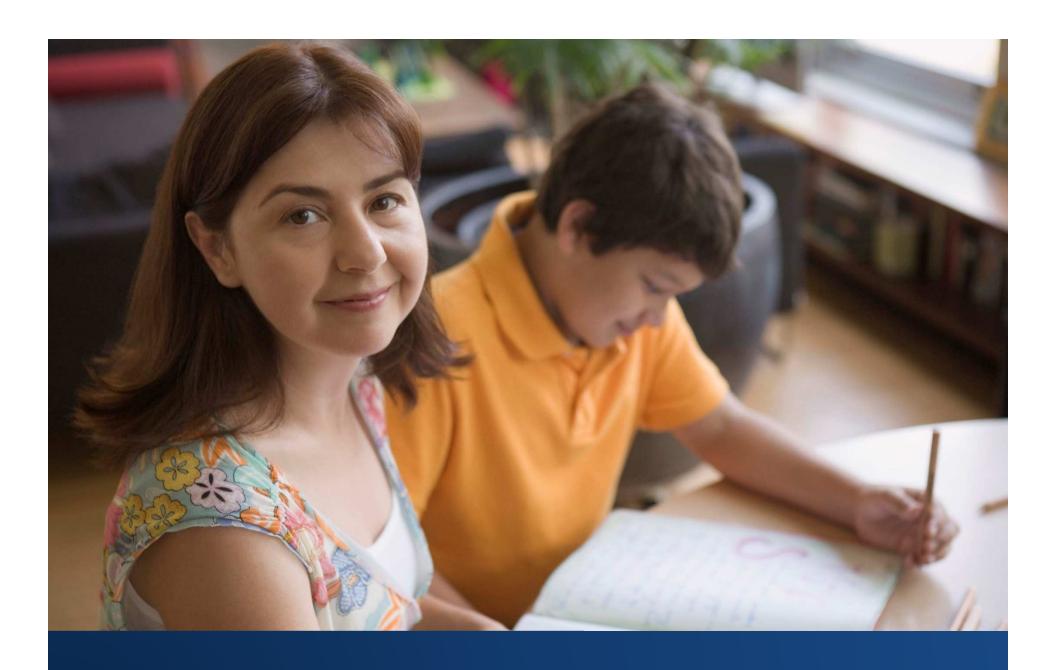
#### **Back-to-School Outreach**

- Attend school and community events
  - Kindergarten and HeadStart registration
  - Back-to-School nights
- Present at school staff meetings
  - School nurses, social workers, registrars and counselors
- Send outreach mailing to school principals









Questions & Answers

# **Bringing It All Together**

- Where do families in your community already go, and who do they trust?
- What are the organizations that already engage parents?
- How do your schools communicate with parents leading up to the school year?



## **Campaign Support**

- Weekly tips emailed throughout the summer
- Twitter (@IKNGov) and Facebook for more tips
- InsureKidsNow.gov/professionals/back\_to\_scho ol.html has additional outreach tips on how to:
  - Conduct social and earned media outreach
  - Elevate partnerships
  - Work with schools
  - Plan events



#### **Back-to-School Materials**





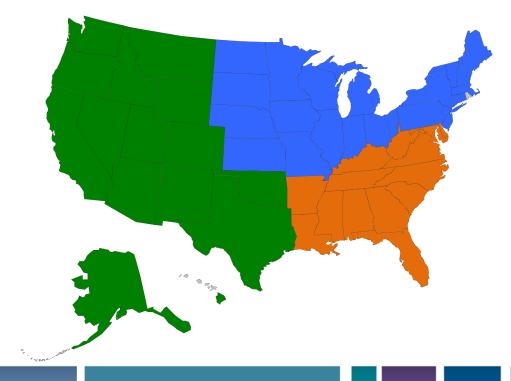
# **Additional Campaign Tools**

- Visit InsureKidsNow.gov for:
  - Social media sample posts for community partners and school districts
  - Drop-in article or email template for community partners to share with parents
  - Press advisory and release templates for your events
  - TV and radio PSA's



# **Connecting Kids to Coverage Regions**

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Questions & Answers

#### **Contact**

- Visit: www.insurekidsnow.gov
- Subscribe: Connecting Kids to Coverage
   National Campaign Notes
- Call: 1-855-313-KIDS
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