

## **Important News about All Kids and FamilyCare**

**Changes are coming later this year. You do not have to do anything now.**

**Because of a new state law, we may ask for more documents the next time we decide if your family qualifies for All Kids or FamilyCare. These changes will not affect your SNAP benefits.** (SNAP is the new name for Food Stamps.)

### **Proof of Income**

- We must change how we check how much income your family gets in a month or a 30 day period.
- Now we ask families to give us one pay stub or proof of income for a month or 30 days when we check their income.
- Starting later this year, you may have to show us every pay stub your family gets in a month when we check to see if you can keep getting All Kids or FamilyCare. That means we will need to see one pay stub if you get paid once a month or two pay stubs if you get paid twice a month or four pay stubs if you get paid every week. We may also ask you to provide proof for any other income you get.

### **Illinois Residency**

We must verify that everyone who gets medical benefits is a resident of Illinois. We may ask you to prove that your family lives in Illinois.

### **All Kids Renewal Process Changes**

When you get your yearly All Kids Renewal or Redetermination form, be sure to read it carefully and follow the instructions. Even if your income has not changed and there is no change in who lives with you, you will have to return the form. If you do not follow the instructions on the form, your family members will lose All Kids or FamilyCare benefits.

### **All Kids Income Limit**

Starting July 1, 2011, All Kids will have an income limit. We will not enroll children in All Kids Premium Levels 3-8 after that date. Children *already* enrolled in All Kids Premium Levels 3-8 on July 1, 2011 may stay in the program until July 1, 2012 as long as they meet other requirements and pay premiums on time. If your children get a white medical card every month, they are not enrolled in All Kids Premium Levels 3-8. Some children who get yellow medical cards are enrolled in Premium Levels 3-8. We will send a special notice to families with children enrolled in All Kids Premium Levels 3-8 about this change. All families will get more information about the new income limit with their yearly All Kids Renewal or Redetermination forms.

**You do not have to do anything extra at this time.** Be sure to read all notices we send you. For more information about these changes visit [www.hfs.illinois.gov](http://www.hfs.illinois.gov) or call the Health Benefits Hotline at 1-800-226-0768 (TTY 1-887-204-1012).