

Boilerplate Report  
Section 1678 of PA 60 of 2001

Section 1678 of Public Act 60 of 2001 requires the Department of Community Health to explore options to cover parents of enrolled children to 100% of the federal poverty level and to identify the number of persons that could be served and the projected costs of coverage. A copy of the Michigan's Health Insurance Flexibility and Accountability (HIFA) waiver application and public comments on the MIFamily proposal and responses to questions are available on the Department of Community Health's web site under MIFamily Plan. The Department of Community Health has submitted the waiver to the Department of Health and Human Services. The Governor announced the waiver to the legislature in his State of the State address.

The waiver included the Department's estimate of the number of Michigan citizens that can be covered through Medicaid using the state's unexpended S-CHIP allocation under Title XXI of the Social Security Act. The Department has structured the benefit package offered through the waiver to provide basic health services to parents of Medicaid enrolled children. The waiver also provides 12-month continuous coverage to children in the state's healthy kids program; an opportunity for disabled workers to earn more and save for retirement; and partners the state and county governments in an effort to provide coverage to childless adults and others not currently eligible for Medicaid.