

COVER ALL COLORADANS

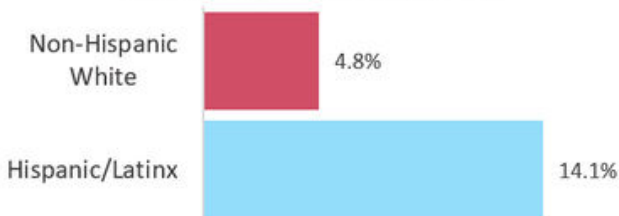
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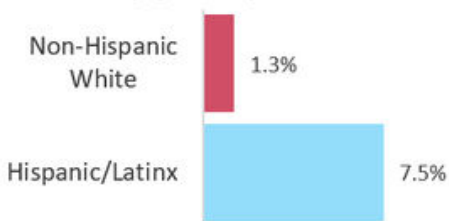
Every family deserves a healthy start

Health insurance coverage is an important social determinant of health and a building block of family financial security. Perhaps at no time are these benefits more important than during pregnancy and childhood.

Uninsured Rates for Women (age 18-44) in Colorado, 2021



Uninsured Rates for Children (age 0-18) in Colorado, 2021



Source: 2021 Colorado Health Access Survey

While efforts to expand access to health insurance in Colorado have reduced uninsured rates, wide disparities by race and ethnicity remain. In Colorado, Hispanic/Latinx women of reproductive age are three times more likely to be uninsured, compared to their non-Hispanic peers, and Latinx children are twice as likely to be uninsured.

This bill will:



Expand Coverage

- Provide full health care coverage using existing federal funding for pregnant people who would otherwise be eligible for Medicaid and CHP+ if not for their immigration status, and continues coverage through 12 months postpartum.
- Provide full health care coverage to children, regardless of immigration status, through age 18.



Provide Support

- Provide pregnancy and postpartum support by improving access to parental support programs.



Collect Data

- Collect data for improved health care equity by strengthening and permanently authorizing CDPHE's Health eMoms Survey.



Expand Enrollment

- Expand health insurance enrollment by creating a Special Enrollment Period for pregnancy so that people can sign up for insurance when they become pregnant and not have to wait until later in the year.

