

School Readiness Begins at Birth

Babies Born Healthy
+
Parents as First Teachers
+
Social, Emotional & Cognitive Development Maximized
+
Consistent Health Care =



Children
To Learn

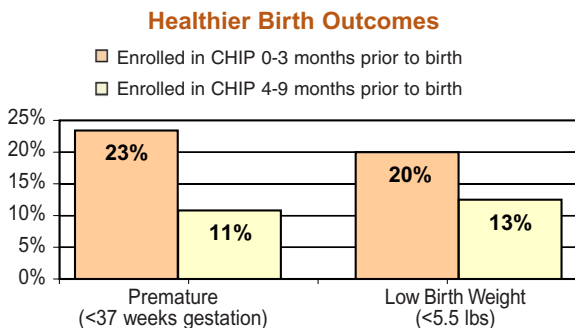
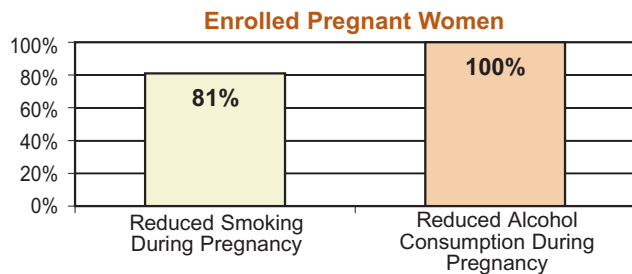
It seems like such a simple formula. But for families who live in poverty the challenges in raising a child ready to enter school are overwhelming. CHIP helps families make it all add up.

BABIES BORN HEALTHY

Research confirms that low birth weight children are at greater risk for cognitive and school performance problems.

CHIP:

- Provides case management to high-risk pregnant women
- Teaches parents about infant care

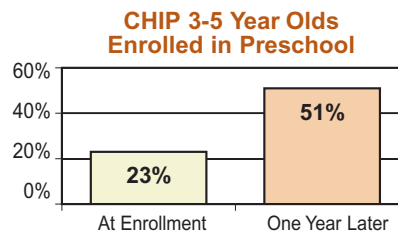


PARENTS AS FIRST TEACHERS

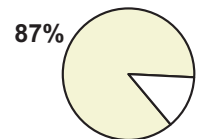
Research suggests that as much as 1/2 of the gaps in school readiness can be attributed to differences in parenting.

CHIP:

- Provides parenting education
- Promotes early learning by helping vulnerable families enrich the home environment
- Teaches families about daily routines that support readiness for learning
- Helps parents to enroll children in high quality preschool environments



CHIP Families Who Received Parenting Education





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CONSISTENT HEALTHCARE

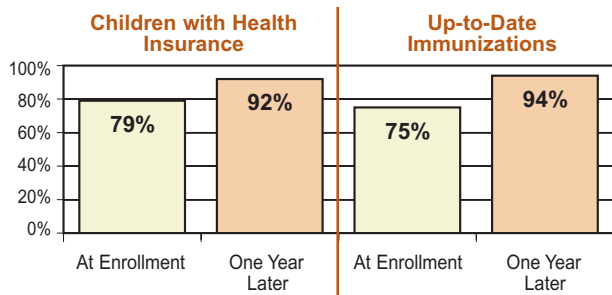


Research shows that poor health, physical problems, and developmental challenges impact regular attendance and threaten a child's ability to adapt to school.

Research shows that dental decay is the most common of all preventable childhood diseases. 52 million hours of school per year are lost due to poor dental health.

CHIP:

- Helps families to access insurance and a regular source of medical and dental care
- Assures up-to-date immunizations
- Teaches families how to effectively use the healthcare system
- Assists in managing chronic diseases such as asthma
- Offers oral health assessment, education, and fluoride varnish at some sites



SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL AND COGNITIVE DEVELOPMENT



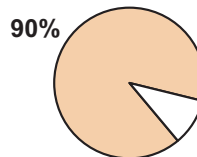
Research suggests that social skills and motivation are more easily influenced than IQ and that these skills, developed in very early childhood, affect performance in school.

Research shows that early detection of, and intervention for developmental problems reduces the need for special education and other services later in life.

CHIP:

- Screens children regularly to detect any learning, emotional or behavioral issues
- Offers early referral to specialty services and community resources
- Provides mental health services at some sites

CHIP Children who Received Developmental Services



CHIP Families who were Referred to Community Resources

