

How to complete the TEFRA and the Family Opportunity Medicaid Act Buy-In Program Educational Worksheet

The TEFRA and Family Opportunity Act Medicaid Buy-In Programs are programs designed to help privately insured families get the extra help they need to pay for care for a child with disabilities through Medicaid. This worksheet provides a summary of similarities and differences between these two programs. It is a helpful tool for making the case to improve health care coverage for children with disabilities in your state. To complete this worksheet for your state, follow the instructions below:

Note: Please follow these steps in order.

To fill out this worksheet, first download the worksheet file to your computer. Open the file.

- Fill in the name of your state in the field "Here's what families report in ______"
 Click in the form field —the cursor will begin blinking, indicating that you can type in the field—and type in the name of your state.
- B. Fill out the table (fields a-e) with statistics on children with special health care needs for your state.
 - 1. Go to the webpage <u>http://www.childhealthdata.org</u>
 - Scroll down the page to Explore Your Data
 Under 2. Browse by Survey & Topic → Click Quick Data Search
 - Under 1. Select a Survey, Year, and Geographic Area
 Select a Survey → use the drop-down menu to select the National Survey of Children with Special
 Health Care Needs

The most recent survey will automatically fill the Select a Year choice (2009/10)

4. Select a State/Region \rightarrow Use the drop-down menu to select your state.

Field a. To find the percentage of Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN), including those with disabilities in your state:

 Under "2. Select a Starting Point/Topic" Click CSHCN Prevalence and Demographics Select Demographics and CSHCN prevalence for all children ages 0 – 17 (click button)

2. Under **3. Select a Survey Question** Click **How many children have special health care needs**?

3. This will result in a table showing the percentage of children with and without special health care needs in your state. Type the number from the **CSHCN column** into Field a. in the worksheet table.

Field b.: To find the percentage of CSHCN who are insured, but insurance is inadequate in your state:

- 1. Click the **Change the question, topic or survey** link in the "Edit Search Criteria" box above the table
- 2. Under Section 2: Select a Starting Point/Topic Under MCHB Core Outcomes and Key Indicators Select Health Insurance Coverage and Program Participation
- 3. Under 3: Select a Survey Question Click Indicator 5: Currently insured CSHCN whose insurance is inadequate
- 4. This will result in a table showing the percentage of currently insured CSHCN in your state whose insurance is inadequate. Type the number that appears under the column head Current Insurance is not adequate into Field b. in the worksheet table.

Field c.: To find the percentage of CSHCN with an unmet need for one or more services in your state:

- 1. Click the **Change the question, topic or survey** link in the "Edit Search Criteria" box above the table
- 2. Under Section 2: Select a Starting Point/Topic Under MCHB Core Outcomes and Key Indicators Select Health Care Needs and Access to Care
- 3. Under **3: Select a Survey Question** Click Indicator 6: CSHCN with any unmet need for specific health care services
- This will result in a table showing the percentage of CSHCN in your state with any unmet need. Type the number that appears under the column head 1 unmet need for 14 specific health services into Field c. in the worksheet table.

Field d.: To find the percentage of CSHCN whose health condition causes financial problems for the family in your state:

- 1. Click the **Change the question, topic or survey** link in the "Edit Search Criteria" box above the table
- 2. Under Section 2: Select a Starting Point/Topic Under MCHB Core Outcomes and Key Indicators Select Impact on Families
- 3. Under **3: Select a Survey Question** Click Indicator 13: CSHCN whose conditions cause financial problems for family
- 4. This will result in a table showing the percentage of CSHCN in your state whose health condition causes financial problems for the family. Type the number that appears under the column head **Yes, financial problems** into Field d. in the worksheet table.

Field e.: To find the percentage of CSHCN whose family cut back or stopped working in your state:

- 1. Click the **Change the question, topic or survey** link in the "Edit Search Criteria" box above the table
- 2. Under Section 2: Select a Starting Point/Topic Under MCHB Core Outcomes and Key Indicators Select Impact on Families (button may already be selected)
- 3. Under 3: Select a Survey Question Click Indicator 15: CSHCN whose conditions cause family members to cut back or stop working
- 4. This will result in a table showing CSHCN in your state whose health conditions cause family members to cut back or stop working. Type the number that appears under the column Family members cut back hours and/or stopped working into Field e. in the worksheet table.
- C. Fill out the federal match information for your state (Fields f and g).
 - 1. Go to the web page <u>http://kff.org/medicaid/state-indicator/federal-matching-rate-and-multiplier/</u>. Use the drop down to select the desired Fiscal Year (FY).
 - 2. This table provides a listing of the FMAP for Medicaid and Multiplier for each state. In the row for your state, find the **FMAP percentage** and type the number into Field g of the form.
 - 3. In the row for your state, find the **multiplier** and type the number into Field h of the form.

That's it! Save the worksheet file. You may print it as you would any other file.