



Children's Health Fund

National Network

22 programs and 2 affiliates in 16 states and the District of Columbia



Mississippi Children's Health Project



The Mississippi Children's Health Project (MCHP) provides services to children in remote rural communities of the Mississippi Delta region through a combination of school-based, fixed-site and community outreach service strategies. The Mobile Medical Clinic is used to conduct mass health screenings and to administer treatments and preventive care at public schools, housing complexes and Head Start centers.

In the counties served by the MCHP, more than 33% of all children live below the poverty line. Many families served by the program are single parent families, often uninsured or underinsured, living in poverty. The MCHP works to address one of the nation's highest infant mortality rates, an alarming rate of teenage pregnancy, and a rising incidence of asthma related to the use of pesticides by area farms.

The region is troubled by such pervasive barriers to care as lack of transportation, lack of insurance, geographic isolation and lack of financial resources. The MCHP combats these challenges through the delivery of comprehensive primary care that is provided without regard to ability to pay. The MCHP is part of Children's Health Fund's Medical Home and Transportation Initiatives; the Medical Home Initiative addresses the special needs of poor, medically underserved children and families living in some of the most disadvantaged areas of the country, and the Transportation Initiative enhances access to transportation to medical appointments for patients living in areas with deficiencies in public transportation.

Serving Communities in Need

The MCHP serves children ages 0-19; 30% are uninsured, 36% are on Medicaid, 24% are on CHIP, and 10% have private health insurance/other; 92% of patients are African American, 6% White, 1% Asian, and 1% other

Available Services

Medical

- Comprehensive primary care, including well child/adult examinations;
- Management of acute and chronic illnesses;
- Screenings, including vision and hearing testing;
- Family planning services;
- Health education;
- Developmental assessments and EPSDT services;
- Lead screenings; and
- Nutrition services.

Behavioral Health Services

- Counseling services;
- Medication management; and
- Case management.

Dental Services

- Screenings and dental exams;
- Digital x-rays;
- Oral health education; and
- Specialist referrals.



PROGRAM FACTS

Home Institution/Affiliation:

Aaron E. Henry Community Health Center, Clarksdale, MS/
LeBonheur Children's Medical Center, Memphis, TN

Year Established:

February 1991

STAFF

Medical Director:

Eseovhe Egborge, MD

Chief Executive Officer, Aaron E. Henry Community Health Center:

Aurelia Jones-Taylor, MBA

Coordinator, Aaron E. Henry Community Health Center:

Lisa Bishop, CFNP

Social Services Director:

Shirley Reese, LMSW

Registrar/Driver:

Michael Richard

Dentist:

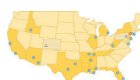
Roenikya Phillips, DMD

Medical Assistant:

Courtney Dunnigan

Program Sites

In Coahoma County, the MCHP visits Kirkpatrick Elementary, Jonestown Elementary, Friars Point Elementary, Lyon Elementary, Booker T. Elementary, Heidleburg Middle, Stampley Middle, Oakhurst Elementary, Myrtle Hall, Higgins, George Oliver, Coahoma Jr. High, and Sherard Elementary School; in Quitman County, the MCHP serves patients at Quitman Elementary.



www.childrenshealthfund.org

