



The Rules Have Changed for State employees!

*This includes employees of the public school system and the Board of Regents.

Your children may now be eligible for PeachCare for Kids®.

Eligibility for PeachCare for Kids® must be determined annually. A child may be eligible if they are:

- Georgia Resident
- Under age 19
- A U.S. citizen or an eligible immigrant
- Not covered by or eligible for Medicaid
- Not a resident in an institution
- Within the income ranges established for participation
- Not covered by other group health insurance*

*If a child has group health insurance that is voluntarily dropped, there is usually a six-month waiting period before that child can be eligible for PeachCare for Kids. **However, since dependents of state employees have been excluded from participating in PeachCare for Kids since inception, this six-month waiting period will be waived for these children for a limited time.** After this limited time period expires, the six-month waiting period for dropping coverage will apply.

*** A family of three can make around \$43, 500 and qualify; a family of four can make around \$52, 500.**

Frequently Asked Questions

What is PeachCare for Kids®? PeachCare for Kids is Georgia's version of the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and is administered by the Georgia Department of Community Health. PeachCare for Kids provides low-cost, comprehensive health care coverage for children under age 19. Benefits include regular check-ups and immunizations, sick child doctor visits, prescriptions, vision care, dental care, hospitalization, mental health, substance abuse services and much more.

Should I go ahead and drop my child's health, dental, or vision insurance coverage? No. Submit an application to PeachCare for Kids for approval first. Upon PeachCare approval, you should cancel your health coverage through SHBP. You are not required to cancel your dental and vision coverage through your employer.

Where can I get an application? Apply online at www.peachcare.org! It's fast and easy. You can also download a paper application from the PeachCare for Kids website or call 1-877-GA-PEACH (427-3224) and an application will be mailed to you.