

Tell Governor Ryan to:

**Leave no
Illinois parent
behind...**

**We need
FamilyCare!**



There are **1.7 million** citizens in Illinois without **health insurance** and 84% of them are workers or children. Most are the working poor who don't qualify for Medicaid, yet don't make enough to afford health insurance. Together we can help these families stay healthy or get the medical help they need.

Let's make healthy families

Right now, there are more than 200,000 uninsured parents eligible to receive medical coverage if the state decided to pass the **FamilyCare** legislation (HB 23) pending in the General Assembly. The Illinois House of Representatives is 100 percent united in support of FamilyCare. The Senate will pass the bill only if Gov. Ryan agrees to fund it.

On March 22, 2001 the House voted unanimously to pass **FamilyCare!** However, Gov. Ryan needs to know how the people feel. Leave no Illinois parent behind! Don't let the state tell you it cannot afford **Family Care!** The federal government will pay 2/3 of the cost. Last year, Illinois returned \$67 million in unused KidCare, money that the federal government then turned over to other states to fund their own **FamilyCare** health plans. In fact, Illinois stands to lose \$200 million over the next two years if it does not enact **FamilyCare**. **Seventeen other states already have FamilyCare, why not Illinois?**

Call your state senator to say: "Vote for Family Care (HB23) and make sure it gets necessary funding." Call (312) 814-6440 to find your representatives.

Call Governor Ryan's office at (312) 814-2121 to say: "I support **FamilyCare**. We need your leadership to help Illinois families stay healthy!" Get your family, friends and co-workers to do the same. (Please duplicate this flyer and distribute at your church and in your community.)



Help Illinois' workers! - Let's fight for FamilyCare today!

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