

AZ Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics

KIDSCARE Position Statement



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The Arizona Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AzaAP) supports continued funding for KidsCare.

KidsCare and the KidsCare Parents' programs have made a substantial improvement in working families' ability to obtain timely and appropriate health care. Scientific evidence overwhelmingly shows that people with health insurance have not only better access to health care, but better health outcomes than people without health coverage.

People without health insurance continue to access services in an inefficient way, creating a shift in costs that make it more expensive for business and health care providers. As small business owners, Arizona pediatricians cannot afford to donate 20-25% of their services each year. This is not fiscally realistic.

As stewards of our state, taxpayer investment in children and families enhances current economic growth – each dollar spent in health care --- as well as future well-being of our workforce.

The Arizona Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics supports on-going funding for KidsCare designed for those most in need.

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