



What is Katie Beckett?

The **Katie Beckett Program for Disabled Children** is health care coverage for severely disabled children 18 years old and younger.

If a child qualifies for Katie Beckett, they are given MaineCare coverage. MaineCare coverage is great! It can include case management, well and sick care office visits, hospital care (including emergency room care), lab and x-rays, prescription drugs, substance abuse and mental health services, family planning, specialist care, dental care, and much more.



Who can get Katie Beckett?

The parents' income and assets do **NOT** count when applying for Katie Beckett. Only the income and assets of the child are looked at. In most cases, this means there is no income or assets to look at.

A child may get Katie Beckett if they:

- Are 18 years old or younger;
- Are **NOT** eligible for MaineCare in another category;
- Do **NOT** live in a medical institution; and,
- Meet the Social Security definition for disability.

You do NOT have to get a Social Security disability decision in order to apply for Katie Beckett. MaineCare's medical review team can look at the child's medical history to see if they meet the definition. It is hard to tell if a child will meet the disability definition until they go through the application process. If your child cannot do everyday things that children their own age can do, it may be worth applying.



What if my child has private insurance?

A child can get Katie Beckett MaineCare even if they already have private insurance. Some families choose to keep both, and other families choose to have one or the other. In some cases MaineCare will pay the premium for private insurance if the child is eligible for Katie Beckett.



Will I have to pay for Katie Beckett?

Starting on April 1, 2008 there will be low cost premiums for Katie Beckett coverage. Your monthly premium will depend on your household income and if you have private insurance with the Katie Beckett, or just have Katie Beckett. For more information on premiums, flip this paper over.

For an application
or for more information call
1-800-965-7476



What will Katie Beckett Cost?

The parents' income is not looked at for eligibility. But, the parents income IS looked at when figuring out the monthly premium. Katie Beckett premiums are based on your household income AND if you have private insurance as well as Katie Beckett. Premiums are lower for people who have private insurance along with the Katie Beckett coverage. This is because the state pays less for people who also have private insurance paying for certain services. Look at the chart below to get a rough idea of how much you might pay for Katie Beckett.

	Family Size	If your <u>MONTHLY</u> income is between...	Your monthly premium will be between...
2	2	\$1,750 to \$4,668	\$11 to \$70
	2	\$4,669 to \$9,336	\$30 to \$175
	2	at or above \$9,337	\$72 to \$750
3	3	\$1,750 to \$5,868	\$11 to \$70
	3	\$5,868 to \$11,736	\$30 to \$175
	3	at or above \$11, 737	\$72 to \$750
4	4	\$ 2,650 to \$7,068	\$11 to \$70
	4	\$7,068 to \$14,136	\$30 to \$175
	4	at or above \$14,137	\$72 to \$750
5	5	\$3,100 to \$8,268	\$11 to \$70
	5	\$8,267 to \$16,536	\$30 to \$175
		at or above \$16,537	\$72 to \$750



For more information or to find out about other health care or health coverage programs, call us at 1-800-965-7476.