What is the Medical Services Project?

- A community-service program of the nonprofit Arizona Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, since 1993
- Serves low-income & uninsured children across the state of Arizona
- Connects children to care for acute conditions through a network of referral sources and health care providers
- Funded by the Arizona Department of Health Services, St. Luke’s Health Initiatives and Thunderbirds Charities
What services are covered?

- Primary Care Exams
- Specialist Exams
- Prescription Medications
- Lab work
- Eyeglasses
- Radiology Services

MSP can cover treatment for acute or episodic health conditions such as infections, injuries or illnesses. Treatment for chronic conditions, like asthma, diabetes and ADHD cannot be covered at this time, but MSP will work to connect families to appropriate community resources for assistance.
Who qualifies for MSP?

A child must meet the following criteria to qualify for services through the Medical Services Project:

- Household income is below 400% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Uninsured or underinsured (including private insurance and AHCCCS)
- Not eligible for Indian Health Services
- School Age (enrolled in a Head Start program at a school, or at any Preschool, Elementary, Middle or High School)

Program guidelines do not require proof of citizenship. Children of any citizenship/residency status can participate in MSP.
### 2015 Federal Poverty Guidelines – 400%

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MSP Copayments

Upon MSP approval, copayment assistance may be provided if a family meets certain requirements.

Primary Care Visit: $5.00

Specialist Visit: $10.00

The Program’s list of qualifying factors is adapted from the Hardship Exemption list on the Health Insurance Marketplace, and includes hardships such as:

- Income too low to file tax return
- Bankruptcy
- Homeless
- Substantial medical expenses
- Eviction
- Disconnected utilities
- Domestic violence
- Death of a close family member
- Natural or human-caused disaster
- Ineligible for Medicaid
What providers are available?

- Primary Care
- Allergy
- Audiology
- Cardiology
- Dentistry
- Dermatology
- Developmental Pediatrics
- ENT
- Endocrinology
- Ophthalmology
- Optometry
- Orthopedic
- Podiatry
- Radiology
Where are services available?

**Apache County**
Round Valley and St. Johns

**Cochise County**
Bisbee, Douglas, Elfrida, Sierra Vista, and Willcox

**Coconino County**
Flagstaff, Grand Canyon and Williams

**Maricopa County**
Phoenix and vicinity

**Mohave County**
Bullhead City, Kingman and Lake Havasu City

**Navajo County**
Holbrook, Show Low and Winslow

**Pima County**
Tucson Metro Area

**Pinal County**
Casa Grande and Maricopa

**Yavapai County**
Ashfork, Chino Valley, Humboldt, Prescott, Prescott Valley and Seligman

**Yuma County**
Yuma
How does the Program work?

1. Referral Sources *identify eligible children*

2. *Paperwork* is submitted to MSP

3. *Appointments* are scheduled with MSP Providers

4. *Evaluation Summaries* are returned to Referral Sources

5. *Follow-up appointments* and additional services are authorized and scheduled after additional paperwork is submitted to MSP
Additional Services

Prescription Medication
Walmart

Laboratory Services
LabCorp or LabExpress

Radiology Services
SimonMed

Prescription Eyewear
MSP Specialist Providers
Arizona Lions Vision Center

Other Services: Sometimes children require additional services like surgeries or more comprehensive evaluations. MSP staff must be contacted before any appointments or procedures. The Program is designed to cover office visits and minor procedures; these other services may be coordinated by MSP staff if resources are available.
Through a partnership with Keogh Health Connection, MSP works to connect families with navigators to provide assistance with applying for health insurance.

Referral Sources are encouraged to schedule appointments for families through: 

CoverAz.org
The Medical Services Project is going digital!

- Secure access – SSL certificate
- HIPAA compliant & located in AzAAP office
- Submit forms
- Authorize appointments
- Review appointments
- Provide outcomes & feedback
- Request follow up visits
- Request additional services
  - Specialist visits
  - Labs
  - Prescription medications
  - Radiology

The MSP online referral portal will go live in the Fall of 2015
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