

Social Services Estimating Conference
Florida Kidcare Program
July 16 and 24, 2025
Executive Summary

The Social Services Estimating Conference convened on July 16 and 24, 2025, to adopt caseload and expenditure forecasts for the Kidcare Program through June 2031. Because of overlap within the Medikids program component, the package is traditionally held open to address the adopted rate increases from the Medicaid conference before it is finalized.

Overall, the annual caseload estimates for the entire Kidcare Program are lower than those adopted at the February 2025 conference by 7,656 to 8,476 cases per year. The net decrease in the forecast results from lower projected enrollment for all programs, with Healthy Kids (lower by 6,383 to 7,149 cases per year) and Medikids (lower by 794 to 1,004 cases per year) experiencing the largest decreases.

The adopted forecast continues to exclude the effects of HB 121 (Ch.2023-277, Laws of Florida). This law raised the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) threshold for subsidized recipients from 210% to 300%. While the expansion contemplated by the statutory change has been granted preliminary federal approval, it is contingent upon implementation of a federal requirement for 12 months of continuous coverage in the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). This requirement would essentially prohibit disenrollment for nonpayment of premiums during the 12-month continuous eligibility period, a practice that is still in place. The state has challenged the federal requirement, but the litigation has been stayed at the request of both parties until September 12, 2025.

For FY 2025-26, a General Revenue surplus of \$1.3 million is expected relative to the current year's appropriation, and for FY 2026-27, a General Revenue shortfall of \$47.3 million is expected relative to the recurring portion of the current year's appropriation. In subsequent years, the need for additional General Revenue rises from \$82.5 million in FY 2027-28 to \$175.4 million in FY 2030-31. Other than the underlying caseload that continues to grow in the new forecast, the future shortfalls are largely related to Children's Medical Services—primarily to cover projected cost increases for Behavioral Analysis services and prescription drugs.

The first table that follows provides the new caseload projections for the current and upcoming fiscal years. The second table provides the final expenditure forecast through FY 2030-31.

KIDCARE AVERAGE MONTHLY ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS

FLORIDA HEALTHY KIDS*	FY25-26	FY26-27	FY27-28	FY28-29	FY29-30	FY30-31
February 2025 SSEC	168,767	175,472	182,242	189,191	196,223	
July 2025 SSEC	162,361	169,089	175,607	182,299	189,074	195,961
Change	(6,406)	(6,383)	(6,635)	(6,892)	(7,149)	195,961
MEDIKIDS**	FY25-26	FY26-27	FY27-28	FY28-29	FY29-30	FY30-31
February 2025 SSEC	25,234	26,352	27,103	27,859	28,615	
July 2025 SSEC	24,230	25,511	26,309	27,037	27,764	28,492
Change	(1,004)	(841)	(794)	(822)	(851)	28,492
CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES	FY25-26	FY26-27	FY27-28	FY28-29	FY29-30	FY30-31
February 2025 SSEC	15,122	16,139	16,729	17,209	17,689	
July 2025 SSEC	14,746	15,730	16,303	16,771	17,238	17,712
Change	(376)	(409)	(426)	(438)	(451)	17,712
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	FY25-26	FY26-27	FY27-28	FY28-29	FY29-30	FY30-31
February 2025 SSEC	315	337	349	359	370	
July 2025 SSEC	294	314	326	335	344	354
Change	(21)	(23)	(23)	(24)	(26)	354
TOTALS	FY25-26	FY26-27	FY27-28	FY28-29	FY29-30	FY30-31
February 2025 SSEC	209,438	218,300	226,422	234,618	242,897	0
July 2025 SSEC	201,632	210,644	218,546	226,441	234,420	242,519
Change	(7,806)	(7,656)	(7,876)	(8,177)	(8,477)	242,519

*Averages include Healthy Kids Full Pay enrollment

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	FISCAL YEAR 2024-25	FY 2024-25 Recurring Appropriations	Projected Expenditures	Surplus/(Deficit)
	General Revenue	\$230,306,953	\$216,210,622	\$14,096,331
	Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund (State)	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 24-25	Grants and Donations Trust Fund (State)	\$15,383,306	\$17,588,992	(\$2,205,686)
	Medical Care Trust Fund (Federal)	\$541,251,087	\$508,090,453	\$33,160,634
	Total	\$786,941,346	\$741,890,068	\$45,051,278

KIDCARE PROJECTED EXPENDITURES

	FISCAL YEAR 2025-26	FY 2025-26 Recurring Appropriations	Projected Expenditures	Surplus/(Deficit)
	General Revenue	\$270,442,135	\$269,130,253	\$1,311,882
	Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund (State)	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 25-26	Grants & Donations Trust Fund (State)	\$19,887,836	\$19,566,101	\$321,735
	Medical Care Trust Fund (Federal)	\$632,414,691	\$629,352,850	\$3,061,841
	Total	\$922,744,662	\$918,049,204	\$4,695,458
	General Revenue	\$270,442,135	\$317,713,809	(\$47,271,674)
	Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund (State)	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 26-27	Grants & Donations Trust Fund (State)	\$19,887,836	\$21,071,179	(\$1,183,343)
	Medical Care Trust Fund (Federal)	\$632,414,691	\$746,127,227	(\$113,712,536)
	Total	\$922,744,662	\$1,084,912,214	(\$162,167,552)
	General Revenue	\$270,442,135	\$352,911,393	(\$82,469,258)
	Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund (State)	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 27-28	Grants & Donations Trust Fund (State)	\$19,887,836	\$21,873,239	(\$1,985,403)
	Medical Care Trust Fund (Federal)	\$632,414,691	\$827,966,169	(\$195,551,478)
	Total	\$922,744,662	\$1,202,750,800	(\$280,006,139)
	General Revenue	\$270,442,135	\$381,895,404	(\$111,453,269)
	Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund (State)	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 28-29	Grants & Donations Trust Fund (State)	\$19,887,836	\$22,431,448	(\$2,543,612)
	Medical Care Trust Fund (Federal)	\$632,414,691	\$912,088,769	(\$279,674,078)
	Total	\$922,744,662	\$1,316,415,620	(\$393,670,959)
	General Revenue	\$270,442,135	\$412,543,047	(\$142,100,912)
	Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund (State)	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 29-30	Grants & Donations Trust Fund (State)	\$19,887,836	\$22,989,739	(\$3,101,903)
	Medical Care Trust Fund (Federal)	\$632,414,691	\$1,004,673,102	(\$372,258,411)
	Total	\$922,744,662	\$1,440,205,889	(\$517,461,227)
	General Revenue	\$270,442,135	\$445,885,110	(\$175,442,975)
	Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund (State)	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 30-31	Grants & Donations Trust Fund (State)	\$19,887,836	\$23,548,891	(\$3,661,055)
	Medical Care Trust Fund (Federal)	\$632,414,691	\$1,106,000,404	(\$473,585,713)
	Total	\$922,744,662	\$1,575,434,404	(\$652,689,742)