

Medicaid status definition: A child who is eligible for the Medicaid program. For the purposes of the VFC program, the terms "Medicaid-eligible" and "Medicaid-enrolled" are equivalent and refer to children who have health insurance covered by the Washington state Medicaid program.

Children with Medicaid status may or may not be VFC eligible. Not all state Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) programs are considered Medicaid and VFC eligible.

Medicaid status questions:

- Q.** What is the VFC status under the following circumstances for public health insurance?
- A:** Providers and Local Health Jurisdiction unsure about a child's Medicaid status should refer to DSHS for specific information about DSHS Medicaid eligibility. Below is some guidance, regarding DSHS sponsored health insurance, and a resource link that may be helpful.
- When is a client Medicaid eligible - Medicaid enrolled children will have insurance that is coded either 'F06' or 'MC' (note multiple health plans contract with DSHS to serve Medicaid children, please refer to DSHS for more information).
 - When a child has Healthy Options. Healthy Options is Medicaid managed care, so child is enrolled in Medicaid (VFC eligible)..
 - When a child is covered by SCHIP –insured status (not VFC eligible).
 - When a child has Basic Health – insured status (not VFC eligible).
 - When an adolescent is enrolled in "Take Charge," – underinsured status (VFC eligible).
 - When a child is covered by Molina - Molina contracts for Medicaid and other public health insurance programs, check for Medicaid codes ('F06' or 'MC'), and refer to Molina or DSHS for more information.

Providers can be referred to DSHS for specific information about the public insurance programs and status of children insured through their agency. The DSHS web-site has information about the various child health insurance programs and may be a useful resource:

http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/manuals/aces/sections/medical/childrensmedical.shtml#who_f06