

February 6, 2009

The Honorable Harry Reid  
Majority Leader  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Minority Leader  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Max Baucus  
Chairman, Senate Finance Committee  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Charles Grassley  
Ranking Member, Senate Finance Committee  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Edward Kennedy  
Chairman, Senate HELP Committee  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Mike Enzi  
Ranking Member, Senate HELP Committee  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Majority Leader Reid, Minority Leader McConnell, Chairman Baucus, Senator Grassley, Chairman Kennedy, and Senator Enzi:

We are writing to thank you for your leadership on and continued attention to improving health care access, coverage, and quality for all Americans. As organizations committed to ensuring that all of our nation's children are able to get the health coverage and medical services they need and deserve, we are pleased that the Congress has been exploring issues related to health reform through a variety of meetings, hearings and other events. As you continue on this process of developing policy proposals to reform the nation's health care systems, we are writing to urge you to ensure that the unique health care needs of children are a priority in any health reform proposal you undertake in the 111th Congress.

Children are not just little adults. Their development is complex and their health care needs differ greatly from those of adults. As Congress embarks on health reform, it is important to remember children are not only our most precious national resource, they also represent one-third of the nation's non-Medicare population. The sad reality is that when it comes to large-scale system reform too often children are an afterthought.

We are hopeful that Congress, through health reform, will have an important opportunity to make significant strides to reduce the numbers of uninsured Americans, including the 8.8 million children who currently lack any form of health coverage, and to ensure that the special health concerns of children are appropriately addressed in health reform. As you undertake the task of reviewing and rethinking our nation's health care delivery systems, we urge you to ensure that the specific health concerns of children are taken into account as new policies are being developed.

We appreciate your long-standing commitment to our nation's children, your efforts to renew the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), and all of your efforts to improve our nation's health care systems. We welcome the opportunity to work with you to develop policy proposals that are appropriate to meet children's unique needs and to ensure that all children, indeed everyone in America, have access to the health coverage they need and deserve.

Sincerely,

**National Organizations**

AARP  
Academic Pediatric Association  
Alliance for Children and Families  
American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (AACAP)  
American Academy of Pediatrics  
American Association of Children's Residential Centers  
American Association of School Administrators  
American Humane Association  
American Public Health Association  
American Society of Pediatric Nephrology  
Association of Jewish Family and Children's Agencies  
Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs  
Association of Pediatric Oncology Social Workers  
Association of Women's Health, Obstetric & Neonatal Nurses  
Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law  
Boys Town  
Catholic Charities USA  
Child Welfare League of America  
Children and Families Action Network  
Children's Dental Health Project  
Children's Health Fund  
Easter Seals  
Epilepsy Foundation  
Families USA  
Family Voices  
First Focus  
Foster Care Alumni of America  
Generations United  
LEAnet (Local Education Agencies Network)  
March of Dimes  
National Assembly on School-Based Health Care

**National Organizations (continued)**

National Association for Children's Behavioral Health  
National Association for the Education of Young Children  
National Association of Children's Hospitals  
National Association of Counties  
National Association of County Human Services Administrators  
National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners  
National Association of School Nurses  
National Child Abuse Coalition  
National Collaboration for Youth  
National Covering Kids and Families Network  
National Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health  
National Foster Care Coalition  
National Health Law Program  
National Network for Youth  
National Initiative for Children's Healthcare Quality  
National School Boards Association  
Nemours  
Nurse Family Partnership  
Public Education Network  
Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law  
Save the Children  
Society for Pediatric Research  
The Children's Cause for Cancer Advocacy  
The Children's Partnership  
The Every Child Matters Education Fund  
The National Policy Partnership for Children of the Incarcerated: A 14-State Coalition  
United Neighborhood Centers of America  
Voices for America's Children  
YMCA of the USA  
Youth Service America

### **State and Local Organizations**

#### **Alabama**

Exchange Club Family Skills Center  
(Birmingham)  
Gateway (Birmingham)  
Kid One Transport (Birmingham)

#### **Alaska**

Alaska Regional Hospital (Anchorage)  
Anchorage's Promise - The Alliance for  
Youth  
HIV/AIDS Services for African Americans in  
Alaska (Anchorage)

#### **Arizona**

Arizona Chapter of the American Academy of  
Pediatrics  
Arizona Council of Human Service Providers  
Arizona Public Health Association  
Arizona's Children Association  
Child and Family Resources, Inc (Tucson)  
Children's Action Alliance (Phoenix)  
Diaper Bank of Southern Arizona (Tucson)  
Protecting Arizona's Family Coalition  
(Phoenix)  
PV Health Solutions (Scottsdale)  
Southwest Human Development (Phoenix)

#### **Arkansas**

Arkansas Advocates for Children and Families  
(Little Rock)  
Arkansas Voices for the Children Left Behind,  
Inc. (Little Rock)  
Vera Lloyd Presbyterian Home and Family  
Services (Little Rock)

#### **California**

A World Fit For Kids! (Los Angeles)  
California Children's Hospital Association  
California Covering Kids and Families  
Coalition  
California Primary Care Association  
(Sacramento)  
California State Association of Counties  
Children Now (Oakland)

#### **California (continued)**

City and County of San Francisco  
Community Action Partnership of San  
Bernardino County (San Bernardino)  
Community Health Councils, Inc. (Los  
Angeles)  
County Welfare Directors Association of  
California  
Hathaway-Sycamores Child and Family  
Services (Pasadena)  
Jewish Family and Child Service (Long Beach)  
Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles (Los  
Angeles)  
Jewish Family Services of Silicon Valley (Los  
Gatos)  
Kinship Center (Salinas)  
Lake Family Resource Center (Lake County)  
Monterey County Department of Social and  
Employment Services (Salinas)  
Triad Family Services (Colton)  
Trinity Youth Services (Colton)  
United Ways of California  
Victor Treatment Center, Inc. (Chico)

#### **Colorado**

2010 All Kids Covered Initiative (Denver)  
The Children's Hospital (Aurora)  
Colorado Association of Family and  
Children's Agencies, Inc. (Denver)  
Colorado Association of School Nurses  
(Castle Rock)  
Colorado Children's Campaign (Denver)  
Colorado Children's Healthcare Access  
Program (Aurora)  
Colorado Coalition for the Medically  
Underserved (Nederland)  
Colorado Coalition of Adoptive Families  
(Louisville)  
Colorado Consumer Health Initiative  
(Denver)  
Colorado Progressive Coalition (Denver)  
Exempla Saint Joseph Hospital (Denver)  
Gilpin County Department of Human  
Services  
Mental Health America of Colorado (Denver)  
Metro Organizations for People (Denver)

### **Colorado (continued)**

Oral Health Awareness Colorado!  
(Nederland)  
Rocky Mountain Youth Clinics (Aurora)  
Rural Communities Resource Center (Yuma)

### **Connecticut**

Boys and Girls Village, Inc. (Milford)  
Brownstein Jewish Family Service (Southbury)  
Connecticut Association of Nonprofits  
(Hartford)  
Connecticut Council of Family Service  
Agencies (Wethersfield)  
CT Association of Foster and Adoptive  
Parents (Rocky Hill)  
Family and Children's Agency, Inc. (Norwalk)  
Greater Bridgeport Section National Council  
of Jewish Women, Inc. (Bridgeport)  
Lutheran Social Services of New England  
Planned Parenthood of CT (New Haven)  
The Diaper Bank (New Haven)  
The Village for Families and Children, Inc.  
(Hartford)

### **Delaware**

Children and Families First  
Delaware AfterSchool Alliance (Wilmington)  
Delaware Children's Campaign  
Delaware Early Childhood Council

### **District of Columbia**

Crittenton Services of Greater Washington  
DC Action for Children  
DC Assembly on School Health Care  
La Clinica del Pueblo  
Mary's Center for Maternal and Child Health,  
Inc.  
Pax Christi Metro DC and Baltimore  
Sasha Bruce Youthwork  
The AIDS Institute  
Unity Health Care

### **Florida**

Family Counseling Services of Greater Miami,  
Inc.  
Family Preservation Services of Florida (Ft.  
Pierce)  
Family Service Centers, Inc. (Clearwater)

### **Florida (continued)**

Florida Association of Children's Hospitals  
Florida CHAIN (Hollywood)  
Florida Covering Kids and Families Coalition  
Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando,  
Inc. (Winter Park)  
Pax Christi Northeast Florida (St. Augustine)  
Providence Management Corporation of  
Florida (Clearwater)  
Ruth Rales Jewish Family Service (Boca  
Raton)  
The Center For Drug Free Living (Orlando)  
The Children's Home, Inc. (Tampa)

### **Georgia**

Families First (Atlanta)  
Georgia Association of Homes and Services  
for Children (Atlanta)  
Georgia Coalition to End Homelessness  
(Marietta)  
Project Adventure, Inc. (Covington)

### **Hawaii**

AlohaCare (Honolulu)  
Bay Clinic, Inc. (Hilo)  
Face Action for Community Equity (FACE)  
(Honolulu)  
Hawai'i Primary Care Association (Honolulu)  
Hawaii State Legislature's Keiki Caucus  
(Honolulu)  
Lana'I Community Health Center (Lana'i)  
Kapi'olani Medical Center for Women and  
(Honolulu)  
Waikiki Health Center (Honolulu)

### **Idaho**

Idaho KINCARE Coalition (Boise)  
Idaho Youth Ranch (Boise)

### **Illinois**

The Better Boys Foundation (Chicago)  
Chicago Children's Advocacy Center  
Chicago Commons  
Child Care Association of Illinois  
Illinois Maternal and Child Health Coalition  
(Chicago)  
Jewish Child and Family Services (Chicago)  
Kids Hope United (Chicago)

**Illinois (continued)**

Lawrence Hall Youth Services (Chicago)  
Methodist Youth Services, Inc. (Chicago)  
Metropolitan Family Services (Chicago)  
Northwest Community Center  
Northwestern University Settlement  
Association (Chicago)  
Voices for Illinois Children (Chicago)

**Indiana**

Children's Coalition of Indiana (Indianapolis)  
Family and Children's Center, Inc.  
(Mishawaka)  
Family and Children's Services, Inc. (Fort  
Wayne)  
Family Service of Central Indiana  
(Indianapolis)  
IARCCA, an Association of Children and  
Family Services (Indianapolis)  
Indiana Family Services (Indianapolis)  
Indiana TFC Program  
Koch Family Children's Museum of  
Evansville (Evansville)  
Lafayette Urban Ministry  
Lampion Center  
The Children's Campus, Affiliate of Family  
and Children Center (Mishawaka)  
The Villages of Indiana, Inc. (Indianapolis)  
White's Residential and Family Services, Inc.  
(Wabash)

**Iowa**

Bethany for Children and Families  
(Davenport)  
Cedar Rapids City PTA  
Child and Family Policy Center (Des Moines)  
Horizons, A Family Service Alliance (Cedar  
Rapids)  
Iowa Nebraska Primary Care Association  
(Urbandale)  
NASW - Iowa Chapter (Des Moines)  
RESULTS Iowa (Des Moines)

**Kansas**

Associated Youth Services (Kansas City)  
Children's Alliance of Kansas (Topeka)  
High Plains Mental Health Center (Hays)  
Kansas Action for Children (Topeka)

**Kansas (continued)**

Kansas Children's Service League (Topeka)  
L&L Training (Great Bend)  
Marillac (Overland Park)  
Shawnee County Family Resource Center  
(Topeka)  
St. Francis Community Services  
The Family Conservancy (Kansas City)  
The Shelter, Inc. (Lawrence)  
TLC for Children and Families, Inc. (Olathe)  
United Methodist Youthville (Newton)  
Wichita Children's Home (Wichita)

**Kentucky**

Adanta Group Behavioral Health Services  
(Somerset)  
Bellewood Presbyterian Home for Children  
(Louisville)  
Brooklawn Child and Family Services  
(Louisville)  
Buckhorn Children and Family Services  
(Buckhorn)  
Child Care Council of Kentucky, Inc.  
(Lexington)  
Children's Alliance (Frankfort)  
Family and Children First / Family Place  
(Louisville)  
Father Maloney's Boys' Haven (Louisville)  
Holly Hill Children's Services (California)  
Kentucky Equal Justice Center (Lexington)  
Kentucky Youth Advocates (Jeffersontown)  
Kincare Training Project (Lexington)  
Maryhurst, Inc. (Louisville)  
Metro United Way (Louisville)  
Open Arms Grandparents/Acting Parents  
Raising Children Support Group  
(Elizabethtown)  
Purchase AHEC (Murray)  
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth Congregational  
Leadership (Nazareth)  
Sunrise Children's Services (Mt. Washington)  
United Way of Greater Cincinnati - Northern  
Kentucky (Florence)  
United Way of Kentucky (Louisville)  
Weisskopf Child Evaluation Center  
(Louisville)  
West Kentucky Children's Health Coalition

### **Louisiana**

Calcasieu Women's Shelter (Lake Charles)  
Children and Families Action Network (Lake Charles)  
Family and Youth Counseling Agency (Lake Charles)  
Family Service of Greater New Orleans (New Orleans)  
Habitat for Humanity, Calcasieu Area Comptroller (Lake Charles)  
The Advocacy Center (Lafayette)  
The Center for Families (Shreveport)  
The Family Tree  
The Wellspring Alliance for Families (Monroe)

### **Maine**

Families and Children Together (Bangor)  
Good Will-Hinckley (Hinckley)  
Lutheran Social Services of New England  
Maine Children's Alliance (Augusta)  
SMART Child and Family Services (Windham)

### **Maryland**

Maple Shade Youth and Family Services, Inc (Mardela Springs)  
Maryland Citizens Health Initiative (Baltimore)  
Pax Christi Metro DC and Baltimore (Baltimore)  
Pax Christi Montgomery (Montgomery)  
Public Justice Center (Baltimore)  
The Children's Guild (Baltimore)

### **Massachusetts**

American Academy of Pediatrics, Massachusetts Chapter (Waltham)  
Ellis Memorial (Boston)  
Family Service of Greater Boston  
For Kids Only Afterschool Programs (Salem)  
Health Care For All (Boston)  
Lutheran Social Services of New England  
United South End Settlements (Boston)  
East End House, Inc. (Cambridge)  
Family Services of Central Massachusetts

### **Massachusetts (continued)**

New England Alliance for Children's Health (Boston)  
The Home for Little Wanderers (Boston)

### **Michigan**

Brightmoor Community Center (Detroit)  
Catholic Social Services of Wayne County (Detroit)  
Center for Civil Justice (Saginaw)  
Child and Family Services of Northwestern Michigan (Traverse City)  
Christ Child House (Detroit)  
Community Residence Corporation and Community Living Network (Ypsilanti)  
Eagle Village, Inc.  
Family and Children's Services  
Family Service, Inc. of Detroit and Wayne County (Detroit)  
Judson Center  
Michigan County Social Services Association (Lansing)  
Michigan's Children  
School Community Health Alliance of Michigan (Okemos)  
Starr Commonwealth (Albion)  
Whaley Children's Center (Flint)

### **Minnesota**

Family and Children's Service (Minneapolis)  
Generations: Community Support Services (Minneapolis)  
Greater Minnesota Family Services (Willmar)  
Hearthstone of Minnesota (South Saint Paul)  
Kyler Meers Agency (Cold Spring)  
Litchfield Early Childhood Programs (Litchfield)  
Litchfield Public School District #165 (Litchfield)  
Merrick Community Services (St. Paul)  
Minnesota Council of Child Caring Agencies (St. Paul)  
Minnesota Indian Women's Resource Center (Minneapolis)  
PACT 4 Families Collaborative (Willmar)  
Phyllis Wheatley Community Center (Minneapolis)  
Pillsbury United Communities (Minneapolis)

**Minnesota (continued)**

The City, Inc. (Minneapolis)  
Therapeutic Services Agency, Inc. (Pine City)  
Tubman Family Alliance  
West 7th Community Center (St. Paul)  
Woodland Hills (Duluth)

**Missouri**

Boys and Girls Town of Missouri  
Catholic Charities of Kansas City - St. Joseph, Inc. (Kansas City)  
Catholic Family Services, Inc. (St. Louis)  
Crittenton Children's Center (Kansas City)  
Epworth Children and Family Services (St. Louis)  
Evangelical Children's Home (St. Louis)  
Gillis Center (Kansas City)  
Jewish Family and Children's Service (St. Louis)  
Lutheran Family and Children's Services of Missouri (St. Louis)  
Missouri Alliance for Children and Families (MACF) (Jefferson City)  
Missouri Coalition of Children's Agencies (MCCA) (Jefferson City)  
NASW - Missouri Chapter  
Our Little Haven (St. Louis)  
Parenting Life Skills Center (Springfield)  
Presbyterian Children's Services (St. Louis)  
Provident, Inc. (St. Louis)  
The Children's Place (Kansas City)  
The Family Conservancy (Kansas City)  
Youth In Need (St. Charles)

**Montana**

Acadia Montana (Butte)  
Big Sky Foster Adoptive Parent Association (Helena)  
Intermountain (Helena)  
Watson Children's Shelter (Missoula)  
Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch (Billings)

**Nebraska**

Beneficial Behavioral Health Services, Inc. (Omaha)  
Better Living Counseling Services, Inc. (Omaha)

**Nebraska (continued)**

Boys Town Institute for Child Health Improvement (Omaha)  
Family Service (Lincoln)  
NASW - Nebraska Chapter (Lincoln)  
Nebraska Appleseed Center for Law in the Public Interest (Lincoln)  
Nebraska Association of Homes and Services for Children  
Nebraska Boys Home (Weeping Water)  
WICS - Women In Community Services (Lincoln)

**New Hampshire**

Institute for Health, Law and Ethics (Concord)  
Lutheran Social Services of New England (Concord)  
New Hampshire Minority Health Coalition (Concord)  
New Hampshire Voices for Health (Manchester)

**New Jersey**

Alliance for the Betterment of Citizens with Disabilities (Hamilton)  
Association for Children of New Jersey (Newark)  
Center for Family Services, Inc. (Camden)  
Children's Aid and Family Services, Inc. (Paramus)  
Family Service Association of New Jersey (Ewing)  
Family Voices of New Jersey (Newark)  
FAMILYConnections (Orange)  
Foster Family-based Treatment Association (Hackensack)  
Jewish Family and Child Service of New Jersey (Wayne)  
Jewish Family Service and Riskin Children's Center of Clifton/Passaic (Clifton)  
Jewish Family Service of Bergen County (Teaneck)  
Jewish Family Services of Central New Jersey (Elizabeth)  
New Jersey Alliance for Children, Youth, and Families (Hamilton Square)

### **New Jersey (continued)**

New Jersey Association of Mental Health Agencies (Trenton)  
New Jersey Policy Perspective (Trenton)  
NJSACC: The Network for New Jersey's Afterschool Communities (Westfield)  
Ocean's Harbor House (Toms River)  
Robins' Nest, Inc. (Glassboro)  
Statewide Parent Advocacy Network of New Jersey (Newark)  
The Bridge, Inc. (Caldwell)

### **New Mexico**

New Mexico Alliance for School-Based Health Care (Santa Fe)  
New Mexico Voices for Children (Albuquerque)  
PB&J Family Services, Inc. (Albuquerque)

### **New York**

Abbott House (Irvington)  
Andrus Children's Center (Yonkers)  
Child and Family Services (Buffalo)  
Citizens Advice Bureau (Bronx)  
Commission on the Public's Health System (New York)  
Family and Children's Association (Mineola)  
Family and Children's Service of Niagara, Inc. (Niagara Falls)  
Family Services of Westchester, Inc. (White Plains)  
Fiscal Policy Institute (Latham)  
Greenwich House, Inc. (New York)  
Hope House Incorporated (Albany)  
Human Services Council of NYC (New York)  
Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services (New York)  
Jewish Family Service (Buffalo)  
Kingsbridge Heights Community Center (Bronx)  
LaSalle School (Albany)  
Lenox Hill Neighborhood House (New York)  
Neighborhood Family Services Coalition (New York)  
New York AIDS Coalition (New York)  
New York State Child Care Coordinating Coalition (Albany)

### **New York (continued)**

Northeast Parent and Child Society (Schenectady)  
NY Universal Living Wage Warriors (Medford)  
Office of Peace and Justice, Sisters of Charity of New York (Bronx)  
Office of Public Policy, Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse (Syracuse)  
Parsons Child and Family Center (Albany)  
Queens Community House (Forest Hills)  
Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany (Albany)  
Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy (Albany)  
Social Justice Center Stony Brook University (Stony Brook)  
Spectrum Human Services  
The Children's Aid Society (New York)  
The Children's Village (Dobbs Ferry)  
The Coalition of Behavioral Health Agencies, Inc. (New York) (New York)  
United Neighborhood Houses (New York)  
United Way of New York State (Albany)  
University Settlement (New York)  
Vanderheyden Hall (Troy)  
VCS, Inc. (New City)

### **North Carolina**

Access II Care of WNC (Asheville)  
Action for Children (Raleigh)  
Association of Medical School Pediatric Department Chairs (Chapel Hill)  
Children and Family Services Association, NC (Raleigh)  
Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Forsyth County, Inc. (Winston-Salem)  
Easter Seals UCP North Carolina (Raleigh)  
Family Services, Inc (Winston-Salem)  
Lutheran Family Services in the Carolinas  
McDowell County Department of Social Services  
Mélange Health Solutions (Charlotte)  
Nazareth Children's Home, Inc. (Rockwell)  
North Carolina Respite Care Coalition  
United Family Services (Charlotte)



## **North Dakota**

Path ND, Inc. (Path)

## **Ohio**

Center for Community Solutions (Cleveland)  
Cincinnati Childrens Hospital Medical Center  
Cleveland Christian Home  
Cleveland Rape Crisis Center (Cleveland)  
Community Organizing Center (Columbus)  
Community Services of Stark County  
Family Service Council of Ohio (Columbus)  
Family Service of Northwest Ohio (Toledo)  
Family Services Association of Steubenville  
(Steubenville)  
groundWork Ohio (Cleveland)  
Highland County Children's Center  
(Hillsboro)  
Jewish Family Services (Columbus)  
LifeSpan, Inc. (Hamilton)  
Mental Health Advocacy Coalition  
(Cleveland)  
NAMI Ohio (Columbus)  
NASW - Ohio Chapter (Columbus)  
Ohio Association of Child Caring Agencies  
(Columbus)  
Ohio Association of Second Harvest  
Foodbanks (Columbus)  
Ohio Council of Behavioral Healthcare  
Providers (Columbus)  
Ohio Empowerment Coalition (Cincinnati)  
Personal and Family Counseling Services  
(New Philadelphia)  
Public Children Services Association of Ohio  
(Columbus)  
Sisters of Charity Health System (Cleveland)  
The Buckeye Ranch  
Trillium Family Solutions (Canton)  
United Way of Central Ohio (Columbus)  
United Way of Greater Toledo (Toledo)  
Voices for Ohio's Children (Cleveland)

## **Oklahoma**

Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy  
(Oklahoma City)  
Oklahoma Therapeutic Foster Care  
Association (Norman)

## **Oregon**

Children First for Oregon (Portland)  
Jewish Family and Child Service (Portland)  
Metropolitan Family Service (Portland)  
National Indian Child Welfare Association  
(Portland)  
Oregon Health Action Campaign (Salem)  
Portland Impact, Inc.  
Southern Oregon Adolescent Study and  
Treatment Center (Grants Pass)  
The Child and Adolescent Health  
Measurement Initiative, Oregon Health and  
Science University (Portland)

## **Pennsylvania**

Children's Home of York (York)  
Family and Community Service of Delaware  
County (Media)  
Family Service Association (Langhorne)  
Family Service of Chester County (West  
Chester)  
Family Services of Western Pennsylvania  
(Pittsburgh)  
FamilyWize Community Service Partnership  
(Bethlehem)  
FLOC - For Love of Children (Lower Bucks  
County)  
Governor's Commission on Children and  
Families (Philadelphia)  
Greater Philadelphia Federation of  
Settlements (Philadelphia)  
Jewish Family Service (Wilkes-Barre)  
Lutheran Settlement House (Philadelphia)  
Methodist Home for Children (Philadelphia)  
PathWays PA (Holmes)  
Pennsylvania Commission for Children and  
Families (Harrisburg)  
Pennsylvania Hunger Action Center  
(Harrisburg)  
Pennsylvania Partnerships for Children  
(Harrisburg)  
Philadelphia Society for Services to Children  
(Philadelphia)  
Pressley Ridge (Pittsburgh)  
Public Citizens for Children and Youth  
(PCCY) (Philadelphia)  
SEIU 668 (Harrisburg)  
The Children's Home of Reading (Reading)

### **Pennsylvania (continued)**

United Communities Southeast Philadelphia  
(Philadelphia)  
United Neighborhood Centers (Scranton)  
United Way of Beaver County (Monaca)

### **Rhode Island**

Jewish Family Service of Rhode Island  
(Providence)  
Lutheran Social Services of New England  
Neighborhood Alliance of Pawtucket  
(Pawtucket)  
NeighborWorks Blackstone River Valley  
Rhode Island Health Center Association  
(Providence)  
Rhode Island KIDS COUNT (Providence)  
RI Council Of Resource Providers for  
Children, Youth and Families (East  
Providence)

### **South Carolina**

Family Services, Inc. (Charleston)  
Lutheran Family Services in the Carolinas  
SC Appleseed (Columbia)  
SC Association of Children's Homes and  
Family Services (Lexington)  
United Way Association of South Carolina  
(Columbia)

### **South Dakota**

NASW-South Dakota (Sioux Falls)  
Northeast South Dakota Community Action  
Program (Sisseton)

### **Tennessee**

CENTERSTONE (Nashville)  
Partnership for Families, Children, and Adults  
(Chattanooga)  
Tennessee Primary Care Association  
(Brentwood)  
Tennessee Voices for Children (Nashville)  
United Way of Tennessee (Nashville)  
YouthVillages

### **Texas**

American Pediatric Society (Woodlands)  
Center for Public Policy Priorities  
Children's Hospital Association of Texas  
(Austin)  
Connections Individual and Family Services,  
Inc. (New Braunfels)  
DePelchin Children's Center (Houston)  
Family Counseling and Children's Services  
(Waco)  
Family Services of Greater Houston  
(Houston)  
Family Services of Southeast Texas, Inc.  
(Beaumont)  
Good Samaritan Community Services (San  
Antonio)  
Healy-Murphy Center (San Antonio)  
NASW - Texas Chapter  
Senior Community Outreach Services, Inc.  
(Alamo)  
Texans Care for Children  
Texas Association for Infant Mental Health  
(Coppell)  
United Way of San Antonio and Bexar  
County  
Women's Leadership Council of San Antonio  
and Bexar County

### **Utah**

The Peace & Justice Commission of the Utah  
Catholic Diocese (Salt Lake City)  
Salt Lake Community Action Program (Salt  
Lake City)  
Utah Health Policy Project (Salt Lake City)  
Voices for Utah Children, Salt Lake City (Salt  
Lake City)

### **Vermont**

Lutheran Social Services of New England  
Milton Family Community Center  
Vermont Children's Aid Society  
Vermont Family Network (Williston)  
Vermont Kin As Parents (Winooski)

## **Virginia**

CHIP of Virginia (Richmond)  
Family Lifeline (Richmond)  
Legislative Coalition of Virginia Nurses  
(Richmond)  
New Hope Housing, Inc. (Alexandria)  
Northern Virginia Family Service  
Prevent Child Abuse Hampton Roads  
(Norfolk)  
Prevent Child Abuse Virginia (Richmond)  
Reston Interfaith, Inc. (Reston)  
Social Action Linking Together (Vienna)  
The Law Center for Children (Falls Church)  
United Community Ministries (Alexandria)  
Virginia Association of Virginia Community  
Services Boards (VACSB) (Glen Allen)  
Virginia Chapter of the American College of  
Nurse Midwives (Potomac Falls)  
Virginia Community Healthcare Association  
(Richmond)  
Virginia Dental Hygienists' Association  
(Chantilly)  
Virginia Organizing Project (Charlottesville)  
Virginia Poverty Law Center (Richmond)  
Virginia Rural Health Association  
(Blacksburg)  
Voices for Virginia's Children (Richmond)  
William Byrd Community House (Richmond)

## **Washington**

Child and Family Guidance Center  
Children's Alliance (Seattle)  
Children's Home Society of Washington  
Clinical Social Work Association (Seattle)  
Enterprise for Progress in the Community  
(EPIC) (Yakima)  
Family Service Spokane  
Family Services (Seattle)  
Northwest Federation of Community  
Organizations (Seattle)  
Public Health Seattle and King County  
(Seattle)  
Southeast Youth and Family Services (Seattle)  
United Way of Washington (Seattle)  
Washington Chapter, American Academy of  
Pediatrics  
Washington Community Action Network  
(Seattle)

## **West Virginia**

Camp Fire USA Upper Appalachian Council  
(Weirton)  
West Virginia Child Care Association

## **Wisconsin**

Adoption Resources of Wisconsin  
Family and Children's Center (LaCrosse)  
Family Services of Northeast Wisconsin  
(Green Bay, Fox Valley, Oshkosh, Door  
County)  
Jewish Family Services (Milwaukee)  
Pathfinders (Milwaukee)  
Reach Counseling Services, Inc.  
Rogers Behavioral Health System, Inc.  
(Oconomowoc)  
Sexual Assault Crisis Center (Appleton)

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The Honorable Wally Herger