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**KENNEDY ON REPORT THAT SHOWS 9 MILLION CHILDREN LACK HEALTH
INSURANCE**

Uninsured children more likely not to have received care than insured children

Washington, DC—Today, the Campaign for Children’s Health Care released a report that finds that there are 9 million uninsured children in the United States, 88% of which are from working families.

Senator Kennedy said, “It’s simply unacceptable that so many children remain uninsured today. But instead of expanding coverage, hundreds of thousands of children who are insured through the Children’s Health Insurance Program today face losing their health insurance because the Republican Administration and Congress won’t act.”

Senator Kennedy is the author of the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP). CHIP faces funding shortfalls for fiscal year 2007 that puts coverage for hundreds of thousands of children currently on CHIP at risk. The legislation needs to be reauthorized in 2007.

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