



# Funding Better Health for South Carolina's Children



**BlueCross BlueShield  
of South Carolina  
Foundation**

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# Our Mission

- To promote the health of South Carolinians
- To expand access to healthcare for the economically disadvantaged by supporting integrated research, education and community service.



# Our Funding Focus

- Childhood and adolescent health.
- Healthcare access for the uninsured and underinsured.



# Grants for Children

- School- or education-centered
- Dental care
- Obesity prevention
- Teen pregnancy prevention



# Education-Centered Grants

- Nurses for public schools
  - 10 poorest districts
    - Low income areas
    - Medically underserved
    - Medicaid eligibility
    - Free lunch eligibility



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- Nurses for public schools
  - ‘Corridor of Shame’
  - School nurse often only provider
  - \$1.5 million over 3 years
  - Teen pregnancy prevention urged
  - Ends with 2007-08 school year
  - Legislature to assuming statewide funding 2008?