

**Table B**  
**Expanding Eligibility and Simplifying Enrollment:**  
**Trends in Children's Health Coverage Programs**  
**(July 1997 to January 2008)**

State Strategies	July 1997 <sup>1</sup>	Nov. 1998 <sup>2</sup>	July 2000 <sup>2</sup>	Jan. 2002 <sup>2</sup>	April 2003 <sup>2</sup>	July 2004 <sup>2</sup>	July 2005 <sup>2</sup>	July 2006 <sup>2</sup>	Jan 2008 <sup>1</sup>
<b>Total number of children's health coverage programs</b>	51 MCD	51 MCD 19 SCHIP	51 MCD 32 SCHIP	51 MCD 35 SCHIP	51 MCD 35 SCHIP	51 MCD 36 SCHIP	51 MCD 36 SCHIP	51 MCD 36 SCHIP	51 MCD 37 SCHIP <sup>10</sup>
<b>Covered children under age 19 in families with income at or above 200 percent of FPL</b>	6 <sup>3</sup>	22	36	40	39	39	41	41	45
<b>Joint application for Medicaid and SCHIP</b>	N/A	not collected	28	33	34	34	34	33	33
<b>Eliminated asset test</b>	36	40 (M) 17 (S)	42 (M) 31 (S)	45 (M) 34 (S)	45 (M) 34 (S)	46 (M) 33 (S)	47 (M) 33 (S)	47 (M) 34 (S)	47 (M) 35 (S)
<b>Eliminated face-to-face interview at enrollment</b>	22 <sup>4</sup>	33 <sup>5</sup> (M) not collected (S)	40 (M) 31 (S)	47 (M) 34 (S)	46 (M) 33 (S)	45 (M) 33 (S)	45 (M) 33 (S)	46 (M) 33 (S)	46 (M) 34 (S)
<b>Adopted presumptive eligibility for children</b>	option not available	6 (M)	8 (M) 4 (S)	9 (M) 5 (S)	7 (M) 4 (S)	8 (M) 6 (S)	9 (M) 6 (S)	9 (M) 6 (S)	14 (M) 9 (S)
<b>Family not required to verify income at enrollment</b>	not collected	not collected	10 (M) 7 (S)	13 (M) 11 (S)	12 (M) 11 (S)	10 (M) 10 (S)	9 (M) 9 (S)	9 (M) 9 (S)	10(M) 8 (S)

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<b>Family not required to verify income at renewal</b>	not collected	not collected	not collected	not collected	not collected	not collected	not collected	9 (M) 10 (S)	11(M) 9 (S)
<b>Eliminated face-to-face interview at renewal</b>	not collected	not collected	43 (M) 32 (S)	48 (M) 34 (S)	49 (M) 35 (S)	48 (M) 35 (S)	48 (M) 35 (S)	48 (M) 35 (S)	48 (M) 36 (S)
<b>Adopted 12-month continuous eligibility for children</b>	option not available	10 (M) not collected (S)	14 (M) 22 (S)	18 (M) 23 (S)	15 (M) 21 (S)	15 (M) 21 (S)	17 (M) 24 (S)	16 (M) 25 (S)	16 (M) 27 (S)
<b>Implemented enrollment freeze</b>	not collected	not collected	not collected	3 (S)	1 (M) <sup>6</sup> 2 (S)	1 (M) <sup>7</sup> 7 (S)	1 (M) 3 (S) <sup>8</sup>	1 (M) 1 (S) <sup>9</sup>	1 (M) 2 (S) <sup>9</sup>

SOURCE: Based on a national survey conducted by the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities for KCMU, 2008.

#### Notes for Table B

The numbers in this table reflect the net change in actions taken by states from year to year. Specific strategies may be adopted and retracted by several states during a given year. (M) indicates Medicaid; (S) indicates SCHIP.

1. These data reflect states' eligibility expansions and use of simplification strategies for children's Medicaid (poverty level groups).
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3. In addition, two (2) states, **Massachusetts** and **New York**, financed children's health coverage to this income level using state funds only.
4. Seven (7) states still required telephone interviews; face-to-face interviews were left to county discretion in one state.
5. Thirty-three (33) states had eliminated the face-to-face interview for children applying for Medicaid. Six (6) states eliminated the face-to-face interview only for families using the joint Medicaid/SCHIP application to apply for coverage. No data was collected specifically about separate SCHIP programs.
6. In **Tennessee**, enrollment was closed to some but not all children eligible under the state's Medicaid waiver program.
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8. The three (3) states that froze enrollment in SCHIP at some time between July 2004 and July 2005 had all reopened enrollment by July 2005.
9. **Utah** froze enrollment in SCHIP as of September 2006. The state reopened enrollment in SCHIP in July 2007. **Georgia** stopped enrolling eligible children in its SCHIP program in March 2007. The state reopened enrollment in July 2007.
10. **Tennessee** and **Missouri** created separate SCHIP-funded programs. **Maryland** eliminated its separate SCHIP-funded program.