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## Key Indicators – Nov. 2, 2011 Notes

*Healthy:*

We discussed some possible resources for data:

### Have health insurance?

DSS: Can supply data re: insurance coverage of children. Who is on Husky and who is not? Are there gaps in coverage? What about special needs children whose parents may be above 300% of FPL? Impoverishes them? Katie Beckett Waiver wait list status.

Also, non-residents: do their children have adequate or any healthcare coverage?

Note: Emergency room care is huge and may be an indicator of lack of insurance healthcare coverage. Does DPH have reports of incidents of ER care from community hospitals? Is there a breakdown of those covered and those not covered by insurance?

SDE: Keeps track through school systems of those who have health insurance.

DDS: Not an entitlement agency; has wait lists for coverage and services.

CID: Any data?

Note: The State of Massachusetts has a compliance component that is part of their tax reporting form. Citizens must report their health care insurance status to the state.

[http://www.mesirowfinancial.com/insurance/publications/updates/update\\_071309.pdf](http://www.mesirowfinancial.com/insurance/publications/updates/update_071309.pdf)

### Physical Health Status

DPH: does a variety of health surveys. What about BMI and growth charts from medical practices and/or clinicians?

School Based Health Centers: Any data?

Wait lists for programs offered through entities in the community: like hospitals(CCMC) for healthy living.

Yale: reports and data from epidemiology and endocrinology. Other sources of data on obesity: Federal CDC, NIH: There is a report from 24 different sources/reporters that is national data published each year. We need copies.

<http://www.cdc.gov/HealthyLiving/>

American Academy of Pediatricians: Must have data and information.

<http://www.aap.org/>

At our next meeting we will discuss Mental Health Status and Oral Health Status and other possible indicators in this category.