



**Princeton's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs  
Invites You to a Policy Forum:**

*Implications of Health Care Reform for Children of New Jersey*

**Friday, March 18th  
8:30 am to 12:30 pm**

**Woodrow Wilson School, Dodds Auditorium**

Enactment of federal health care reform creates the opportunity to improve health care access, coverage, quality and outcomes for children in New Jersey. Key components of federal health care reform that will be examined include health insurance exchanges, new eligibility and enrollment standards, and a new vision for Medicaid and CHIP. These provisions can expand health insurance coverage, improve the quality of coverage, and reduce costs for children and families. This policy forum will highlight important research, major provisions of health care reform, and various strategies that New Jersey can adopt as it implements reform – all with the goal of better health care for children.

The format for the event will be presentation and discussion. Three researchers will each give a 15 minute overview of compelling research that is shaping the health care debate as it pertains to children. The second panel will begin with each person giving a five minute overview of his or her views and then spending the remaining time asking the researchers questions. The goal of this format is to have the second panel shape the discussion about how the research impacts decisions that New Jersey must make as it implements health care reform with an eye to improving care for children.



*Agenda:*

- 8:30 am                    **Breakfast**
- 9:00 am                    **Welcome**  
Elisabeth Donahue, *Assistant Dean for Public and External Affairs, Woodrow Wilson School*
- 9:15 am                    **Research Overview**  
Heather Howard, *Director, State Health Reform Assistance Network, Lecturer in Public Affairs, Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton University*  
Bruce Lesley, *President, First Focus*  
Joel Cantor, *Director, Center for State Health Policy, Rutgers University*
- 10:00 am                    **Stakeholder Discussion**  
Herb Conaway, Jr., *Assemblyman, New Jersey Legislature (D), Chair, Health and Senior Services Committee, Physician – invited*  
Valerie Harr, *Director, Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, State of New Jersey*  
Kendell Sprott, *Acting Chair and Assistant Professor of the Department of Pediatrics at the UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School*  
Cecilia Zalkind, *ACNJ Executive Director*  
Moderator: James W. Smith, Jr. *Vice President, Children's Futures*
- 11:15 am                    **Audience Response**
- 12:00 pm                    **Closing Remarks**  
Kristina Graff, *Associate Director, Center for Health and Wellbeing, Woodrow Wilson School*

*Presented with our partners:*

