

**Testimony**  
**Department of Human Services**  
**Human Services Committee**  
**Representative Alon Wieland, Chairman**  
**April 17, 2012**

Chairman Wieland, members of the Human Services Committee, I am Maggie Anderson, Director of the Medical Services Division, for the Department of Human Services. In accordance with NDCC 50-29-02, I appear before you to provide an annual report on the enrollment statistics and costs associated with the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP); referred to as Healthy Steps.

**Appropriation and Expenditures for 2011-2013**

<b>CHIP Appropriation</b>	<b>CHIP Expenditures Thru February 2012</b>	<b>% of Appropriation Used *</b>
\$27,524,402	\$7,369,995	26.78%

\*29.17% (7 months) of biennium has expired

**Enrollment**

As of February 2012, there were 3,858 premiums paid for children enrolled in CHIP. The six and twelve month averages are 3,851 and 3,808 respectively. Please see the [attached chart](#) for more information on the number of children in Medicaid and in CHIP.

The income eligibility level for CHIP is at 160 percent (net) of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), which was effective July 1, 2009. The appropriated monthly premium for CHIP for the 2011-2013 biennium is \$272.67 per child.

I would be happy to address any questions that you may have.