




## Discussion: Experts talked to us about health care for kids in Santa Cruz County

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Uninsured kids		(01/25/2010)
11:50	<b>Megha:</b> Good morning, Sentinel readers. We will be starting our chat on children and health insurance in about 10 minutes. We have two guests today, Dr. DeGhetaldi and Leslie Conner. Start those questions coming in!	▲ ☰
11:58	[Comment From Leslie Conner] Hi, glad to be here.	
12:00	<b>Megha:</b> We're just waiting on one more guest, folks. Looking forward to our discussion.	
12:04	[Comment From larry deghetaldi] hello, I look forward to any questions	
12:05	<b>Megha:</b> Good afternoon! For the last several days, the Sentinel has published a project on the plight of uninsured and underinsured children in Santa Cruz County.	
12:06	<b>Megha:</b> We've invited Dr. D and Leslie to answer questions about the topics of children's healthcare and insurance.	
12:07	<b>Megha:</b> I'll start by asking them both to give a brief comment, an overview, on the situation in our county.  Then, I'll start posting questions. Thanks for sending them in.  Dr. D and Leslie - what is the state of children's health insurance in Santa Cruz County.	
12:09	<b>larry deghetaldi:</b> There are four types of coverages: traditional PPO/HMO, or MediCal, or Healthy Families or Healthy Kids. The last is our county sponsored program dependent on local funding	▼

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Questions about health care for your kids in Santa Cruz County?

Larry deGhetaldi, president of the Palo Alto Medical Foundation Santa Cruz at Sutter Health and Leslie Conner of Healthy Kids of Santa Cruz County responded to questions in a Santa Cruz Sentinel online chat Monday, Jan. 25.