

CHIP Press Conference
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
Tuesday, June 6
2:00 p.m.
Eudora Welty Library

Talking Points

- I am pleased to be here today with representatives of the Forum on Children and Families and the Mississippi Library Commission to introduce this new, and easy way to apply for children's health insurance.
- This partnership is one more of example of how we are working together and tapping every resource available to help us spread the work about the Children's Health Insurance Plan and Mississippi Health Benefits.
- This initiative would not have been possible without a grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.
- Private foundations investing dollars in the State of Mississippi are vital to these types of worthwhile endeavors.
- We have been working diligently to let Mississippians know about the health insurance

benefit options that are available to assist families, and now it is as easy as the click of a button at your local library.

- With 247 public libraries across our state, our people now have even easier access to the Mississippi Health Benefits application.
- I thank the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation along with the staff of the Forum on Children and Families and the Library Commission who have developed this computer program, made it accessible to Mississippi families, and have helped us to find solutions to the challenges we face.
- We will continue to call upon each of you for your expertise and assistance.
- Together, we are one step closer to providing health insurance coverage to all Mississippi children.
- Thank you.