## **HEALTH STRATEGIES**

## INCREASING MEALS AVAILABLE TO CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES BY INTEGRATING NUTRITION ASSISTANCE AND FOOD ACCESS INTO HEALTHCARE'S PREVENTATIVE SERVICES AND INVESTMENTS IN SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH.

Like education, healthcare is a system that touches nearly all families, and as such, presents a compelling opportunity to broaden our reach beyond schools and community organizations. Our current and future health strategies work centers on reaching kids and families at risk of hunger by focusing on three Medicaid health systems:

- Managed Care Organizations
- Networks of School-Based Health Centers
- State-Level Medicaid Managed Care Contract Influence

## Here's What We're Doing:



Connecting families with food, SNAP and/or WIC as part of Medicaid Managed Care.

• Demonstration projects with Aetna Better Health of Louisiana and UnitedHealthcare



Integrating nutrition program and food access in School-based Health Center services.

• Established learning collaborative with 16 school-based health centers in partnership with the School-Based Health Alliance (AR, CO, FL, GA, IL, LA, MD, MI, NY, OH, WA, WV)



Developing **clinical and community partnerships** and resources to address food insecurity.

- Support the development of effective strategies and models of clinical and community partnerships. (NM, MS, MO, TN, MA)
- Rural Produce Prescription Toolkit

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