

Connecting Uninsured Children to Coverage

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Figure 1

Health Coverage Matters to Children and their Families

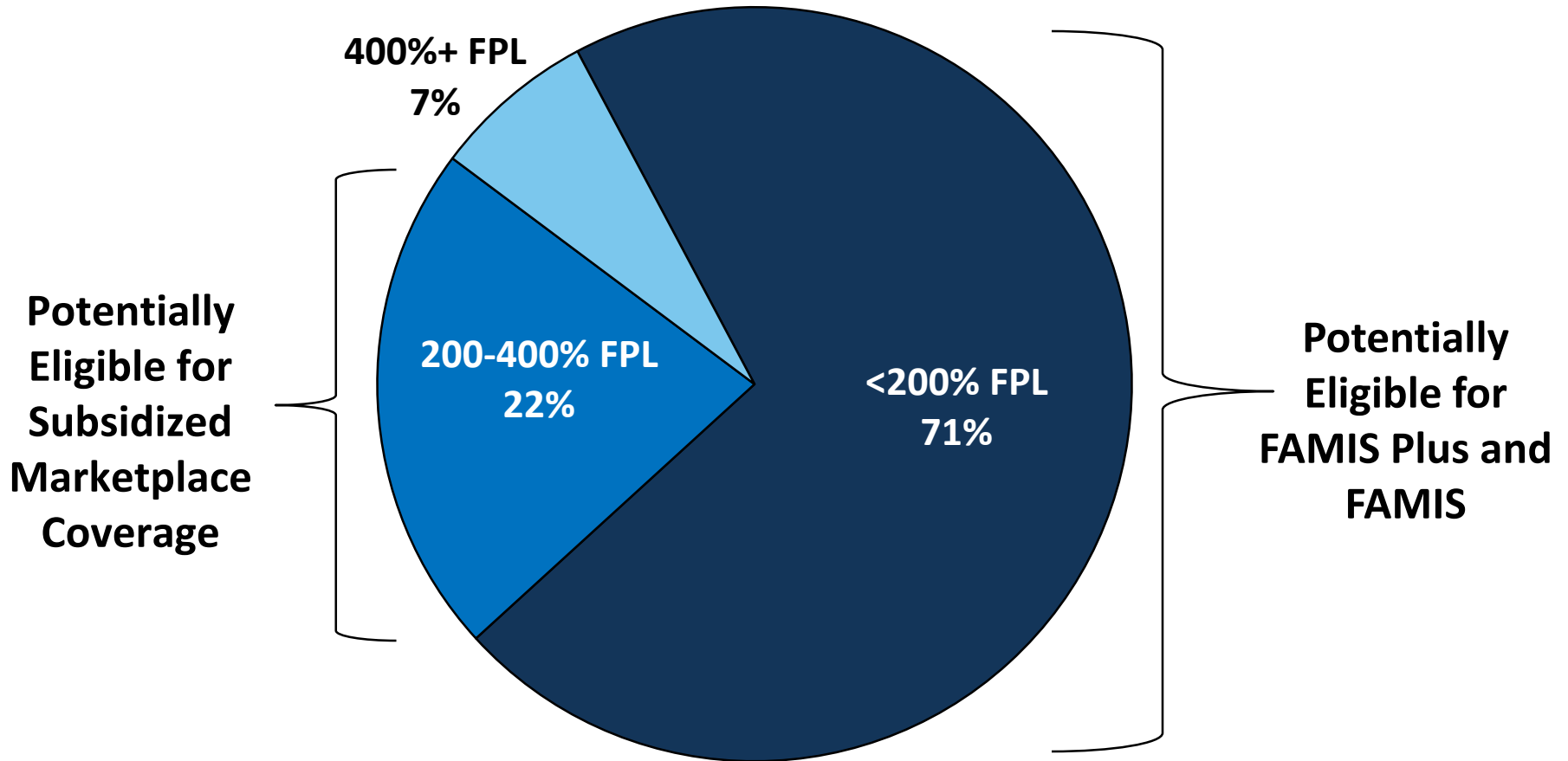
Uninsured children:

- Miss more school
- Are less likely to have a consistent place where they get medical care
- Are less likely to get treatment for childhood conditions like ear infections and asthma
- Are at higher risk for preventable hospitalizations and for missed diagnoses of serious health conditions
- Are less likely to get needed vision or dental care

Not having health insurance can also affect families' finances, leading to medical debt

Figure 2

Many Uninsured Children in Alexandria May Be Eligible for Low or No-Cost Coverage



Total Uninsured Children – 2,372

SOURCE: Analysis of 2014 American Community Survey

Figure 3

Uninsured Children in Alexandria Should Be Screened for Eligibility for Public Coverage

- **The majority of uninsured children appear to be eligible for public coverage**
 - FAMIS Plus (Medicaid)
 - Children birth to age 19
 - Family income up to 148% of the poverty level (\$35,900 for a family of four)
 - Child must be US citizen or legal immigrant
 - FAMIS (Children’s Health Insurance Program)
 - Children birth to age 19
 - Family income up to 205% of the poverty level (\$49,800 for a family of four)
 - Child must be US citizen or legal immigrant
- **Some uninsured children may be in families eligible for subsidized coverage in the Marketplace**
 - Family income 205-400% of the poverty level (\$50,000-\$97,200 for a family of four)
 - Child must be US citizen or legal immigrant
 - Can only enroll during open enrollment period or if have qualifying event during year

Figure 4

School Support Teams Can Help Get Children and Their Families Enrolled in Coverage

- Families face many barriers to enrolling in coverage:
 - Lack of knowledge about how and where to apply
 - Difficulty completing the enrollment process
 - Language barriers and low literacy levels
- School support teams can be a trusted source of information for families to help break down these barriers
 - Provide information on insurance coverage options and connect families to resources to help them apply
 - Multiple opportunities to interact with families can help reinforce messages and provide ongoing assistance
- School support teams can also help connect children who remain uninsured to safety net providers