

# FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## NJ Family Care Health Insurance

Dear Parent/Guardian:

More than a quarter-million New Jersey children lack health insurance, and that number is likely to grow as the economy deteriorates. If your child does not have health insurance you may qualify for low cost or no cost health insurance through the NJ FamilyCare Program. NJ FamilyCare is not a welfare program, but rather the State of New Jersey's way of providing affordable health coverage for kids and certain low-income parents.

NJ FamilyCare is a federal and state funded health insurance program created to help New Jersey's uninsured children and certain low-income parents and guardians to have affordable health coverage. NJ FamilyCare is for families who do not have available or affordable employer insurance, and can not afford to pay the high cost of private health insurance.

How to qualify can be viewed in 12 languages, and the entire application process can be completed by mail or online. All enrollment packets contain postage free envelopes. To find out if you qualify for NJ FamilyCare call 1-800-701-0710, for hearing impaired individuals TTY 1-800-701-0720. Multi-lingual operators are available and calls are accepted Mondays and Thursdays between 8:00a.m. & 8:00p.m., and Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays between 8:00a.m. & 5:00p.m. You may also apply online at [www.njfamilycare.org](http://www.njfamilycare.org).

NJ FamilyCare Advantage is another low cost health insurance program offered through Horizon NJ Health, that your family may be eligible for. To qualify you must meet the following guidelines:

- Without health insurance for more than six months.
- Your children must be under the age of 19.
- Eligibility is based upon household income and the number of people in your family.

If you have questions about the NJ FamilyCare Advantage program call the Horizon NJ Health Outreach Center at 1-800-637-2997. You may call toll free from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. You may access the NJ FamilyCare Advantage program online at [www.horizonnjhealth.com](http://www.horizonnjhealth.com), as well.

You may also contact your school nurse for any questions or assistance regarding healthcare insurance for your child.