

Care for Military Kids Act

This bill ensures that the disabled children of active duty service members who are required to relocate for a deployment maintain their Medicaid coverage when moving across state lines.

Key Legislative Provisions

- This legislation amends the Social Security Act to ensure that any dependent of an active duty servicemember currently receiving long-term care services through a state administered Medicaid plan will remain eligible should their family move due to relocation.
- Servicemembers remain a resident of the state they are moving from for purposes of determining Medicaid eligibility.
- The bill authorizes \$1,000,000 for each year from 2026 to 2030.

Background

- People with disabilities often need long-term care services that help with everyday activities, such as eating, walking, medical equipment management, and more.
- Medicaid is the only government program that covers long-term care services for people with disabilities.
- TRICARE does not cover long term care services, meaning children with disabilities covered by TRICARE cannot receive the care they need.
- Military families often apply for Medicaid to cover these services.
- However, most military families are not eligible for Medicaid due to their income level, but can apply and be placed on a waitlist.
- Even those who do qualify are sent to the bottom of the waitlist when their parents' active duty.
- The Care for Military Kids Act will ensure that our service members do not have to choose between serving their country and making sure their children get the critical care they need.



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