

Children with Special Health Care Needs: An Overview

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Special Health Care Needs ≠ Special Needs

In common conversation “Special Needs” means different things to different people:

- Using Special Education Services
- Cognitive Disability
- Disability
- “Different” in whatever way
- “Needing help”



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Definition - Children with Special Health Care Needs:

- Have a physical, behavioral, developmental and/or emotional condition
- Has lasted/is expected to last 12 + months
- Requires health or related services of a type or amount that children don't generally



Examples of Conditions

- cerebral palsy Fragile X Syndrome
- AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER cancer
- cognitive disability epilepsy diabetes
- life threatening allergies Down Syndrome
- sensory IMPAIRMENT physical disability
- ADHD emotional/behavioral disability
- deafness asthma



Current health condition*	Prevalence Among CSHCN		% of CSHCN with condition listed who also have at least one other condition asked about in survey	
	National (N=40,242)	Arizona (N=789)	National	Arizona
Epilepsy or Seizure	3.1%	2.5%	87.0%	92.2%
Allergies	48.6%	48.7%	79.1%	77.2%
Anxiety Problems	17.1%	17.2%	95.3%	94.8%
Behavioral or Conduct Problems	13.9%	15.8%	96.0%	97.7%
Intellectual Disability or Mental Retardation	5.8%	5.8%	99.4%	100.0%
Asthma	35.3%	33.7%	80.0%	80.0%

What We Know

2009/10 National Survey of Children with Special Health Care Needs, MCH Chartbook, 2015.



We Also Know

- One in Five Families
- 2 – 3 % preventable
- 58.2 – 68% adequate health coverage
- 35.6% prepared for adulthood





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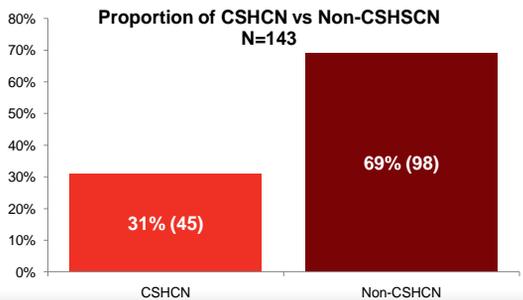
Arizona Children’s Health Survey

- February – June 30, 2016
- Distributed and Implemented through County Departments of Health
- Links to the online Survey
 - English: <http://tinyurl.com/ACHS-ENGLISH>
 - Spanish: <http://tinyurl.com/ACHS-SPANISH>



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Preliminary Results for ACHS 2016

The results presented are not intended to be generalized to the total population of Pinal County but to be interpreted as "Out of the 146 parents or

