

Children's Health Advocacy Institute at Work in the Community



The Children's Hospital

The Children's Hospital has a long history of advocating to improve the health and safety of kids. This work goes beyond our hospital walls and into the broader community.

Advocating for kids – in and out of the hospital

As a nonprofit pediatric hospital, our bottom line is kids — this means that all of the money our hospital makes is reinvested into the health and well-being of children. Putting that work into numbers isn't easy. However, in 2009, The Children's Hospital reported more than 22 percent of expenses in "community benefit" activities — that is, activities we did as a hospital that went beyond caring for patients and made an impact on our community at large. This includes everything from dental screening and immunization clinics for kids, to financial counseling and car seat education for parents.

Creating the Children's Health Advocacy Institute

To demonstrate our hospital's ongoing commitment to kids, The Children's Hospital established the Children's Health Advocacy Institute (CHAI). CHAI's mission is to positively impact the health and safety of children by working with the public and our community partners. By bringing people together and leading the way in child health and safety, CHAI will work to start new programs and build upon existing ones to make the best possible community for kids.

For more information about CHAI, please contact Deb Federspiel, Director at Federspiel.Deborah@tchden.org or (720) 777-6770.



Immunization clinics



Teaching dental hygiene



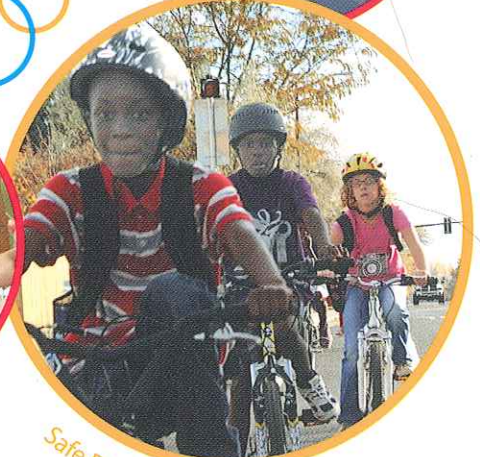
Car seat education



Health education in the classroom



Nursing education



Safe Routes to School Network