

## Health Policy Issues in Children's Health GMS 6835

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**GOAL:** By the end of the course you should be able to describe 2 – 3 approaches to policy analysis; what is involved in conducting policy analysis; what can be learned from such a study; and how the results from a policy analysis can be used.

### **Week 1:**

Introduction, student goals, review of course outline

### **Week 2:**

Organization and financing of the US Health Care System

Understanding Health Policy: A clinical Approach Bodenheimer (2012)

[Understanding health policy : a clinical approach](#)

Thomas Bodenheimer, Kevin Grumbach.

**Author:** Bodenheimer, Thomas

**Published:** New York : McGraw-Hill Medical, c2012.



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### **Week 3**

Overview of policies and programs that impact child health care within the context of the larger, US adult focused system;

Children's Health Nation's Wealth (IoM) (2004)

**This PDF is available at no cost from the National Academies Press at:**

**<http://www.nap.edu/catalog/10886.html>**

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3 Influences on Children's Health 45

4 Measuring Children's Health 91

5 Measuring Influences on Children's Health 116

7 Conclusions and Recommendations 192

Health and welfare for families in the 21st century Wallace 2nd edition. SSI,CSHCN

Focusing on children's health: Community approaches to addressing health disparities: Workshop summary. (2009)

### **Week 4 & 5**

Qualitative and quantitative methods for conducting policy analysis;

Using Science as Evidence in Public Policy (2012), National Research Council/National Academy of Sciences. On Line Book

"Policy design and the politics of implementation: the case of child health care in the American states" (Coggin) Part I (p 1 – 47) & Appendix A

Paying Attention to Children in a Changing Health Care System (IoM) (1998)

### **Week 6 – 8**

Analysis of the design, implementation, and outcomes of the Medicaid & SCHIP Programs;

"Policy design and the politics of implementation: the case of child health care in the American states" (Coggin, 1987) Part 2 - 4 (p 50 – 211)

Challenges in Adolescent Health Care: Workshop Report (2007)

Child and Adolescent Health and Health Care Quality: Measuring What Matters (2011) .

## **Week 9 No Class Break**

### **Week 10 – 11**

Analysis of the design, implementation, and outcomes of National Agenda for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs

America's Children: Health Insurance and Access to Care (1996) (Describes policy context and table of activities that took place during review of Clinton Health Plan and discussion of children as a high-priority population.)

Health and welfare for families in the 21st century Wallace 2nd edition (Selected chapters)

### **Week 12**

Brief presentation of paper topics

### **Week 13 – 14**

Continue of analysis of the design, implementation, and outcomes of National Agenda for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs

### **Week 15 – 16**

Presentations by students (draft paper)

### **Paper due:**

**Grading:** weekly journal entry (1 page or so) that reflects your thoughts-reactions to the readings (reflections on how material added to, challenged, confirmed your thinking about the content area);

**Class participation,** including leading the discussion about an assigned reading;

**Final paper** (10-15 pages) on a child health policy topic of your choice. Paper should be relevant to your plan of study – for example, Examine policy initiatives to prevent a specific high risk behavior (smoking, for example); and review how policy to reduce smoking is implemented (who get what from whom; who provides what to whom; under what circumstances; in order to achieve what measurable outcomes; forces and factors that impede and promote policy implementation (“follow the money”); what organizations and professions are included (and excluded) in policy development and implementation; what outcomes the policy initiative was supposed to bring about; etc.