## Support SB 1004





In 2008, Connecticut passed a bill to allow children to remain on their parents' health plan until age 26. However, dental coverage was not included.

An estimated 2 out of 3 young adults in Connecticut lose their dental coverage on their 19th birthday.



Uninsured young people often resort to the ER for dental services. Dental pain is the third most common reason that uninsured young adults visit the ER. These visits are costly to the individual and to our health system. High rates of ER visits for preventable dental issues signal that young adults are not getting the services they need.

SB 1004 will extend dental coverage to age 26, increase access to care, decrease out-of-pocket costs, and reduce expensive ER visits.

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