

# MOHAVE COUNTY NEWS



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## 2016 ARIZONA CHILDREN'S HEALTH SURVEY RESULTS RELEASED

**MOHAVE COUNTY, AZ.** The results from the 2016 Arizona Children's Health Survey have been released, including the results for Mohave County. Of the 3,680 statewide surveys completed, Mohave County residents completed 768.

About 31% of respondents from Mohave County had a child with special health care needs, which was identical to the state of Arizona. According to this survey, 11% of Mohave County parents reported that their children do not have health insurance, while 13% of those that have insurance reported that it does not meet their child's health care needs. This is higher than the state average, where 5.5% of children had no insurance and of those that have insurance, 9% said it did not meet their needs.

The majority of parents said their children had no health care conditions. Those that did have children with health care conditions were similar for Mohave County and Arizona. The leading health care conditions were, in order, allergies, asthma, ADD/ADHD, anxiety problems, and developmental delays.

The specialty services that children needed most during the past year were preventive dental care, vision care, behavioral, mental health care, or counseling, and physical, occupational, and speech therapy. However, while both Arizona and Mohave County children needed these services at similar rates, the parents of Mohave County children reported that they were unable to get these services. In Mohave County, the needs for hearing care, preventive dental care, specialty care, and vision care were unmet at higher percentages.

Survey respondents also filled in their own responses for other unmet needs. The leading responses were lack of specialty services, having to travel out of town for appointments, and access to insurance.

Anyone who is interested in learning more about the survey results or wants to be a part of the special needs advocacy meetings, please contact Cassy Greenwood at (928) 753-0794 ext. 4333.

