

What's new in the 2007 National Survey of Children's Health?

The 2007 National Survey of Children's Health was revised from 2003 to include many new indicators on the health of our nation's children, youth and families. The following topics are new to the survey. Indicators developed on these topics are included in the [Child Health Measures](http://childhealthdata.org/browse/survey) section (<http://childhealthdata.org/browse/survey>) under each of the topic headings below.

Physical and Dental Health

- 1.2a: One or more oral health problems
- 1.3a: Exclusive breastfeeding, age 0-5
- 1.9b: Prevalence of current conditions (parent-reported)*
- 1.9c: Severity of current conditions (parent-reported)*
- 1.13: Functional limitations due to health conditions, CSHCN only

Emotional and Mental Health

- 2.2a: Play with children their own age, age 1-5
- 2.7a: Parent-reported severity of current ADHD
- 2.9: Medication for emotions, concentration or behavior

Health Insurance Coverage

- 3.4: Adequacy of current insurance coverage

Health Care Access and Quality

- 4.8: Medical home (completely new questions and scoring for 2007)**
- 4.9a: Medical home component--Usual sources for sick and well care
- 4.9b: Medical home component--Family-centered care
- 4.9c: Medical home component--Problems getting needed referrals
- 4.9d: Medical home component--Effective care coordination
- 4.16: Developmental screenings during well-child visit, age 10 months-5 years

Community and School Activities

- 5.1a: Child has early intervention plan, IFSP or IEP, age 0-5
- 5.1b: School-age child has IEP, age 6-17
- 5.2a: School engagement, age 6-17

Family and Health Activities

- 6.4a: Exposure to secondhand smoke at home
- 6.7a: Family sings or tells stories to children, age 0-5
- 6.10a: Time spent watching TV or videos, age 0-5
- 6.10b: Child has TV in their bedroom, age 6-17

Neighborhood Safety and Support

- 7.4: Presence of 1 or more neighborhood amenities
- 7.5: Presence of 1 or more detracting elements in the neighborhood

* Nine conditions were asked about in the 2003 NSCH. All were repeated in 2007 and seven additional conditions were added. However, the manner in which they were asked changed. In 2003, conditions were reported as "has your child ever been told that he/she has...". In 2007 this was revised to follow up with whether they currently have the condition. If the condition was reported as current, a question was asked about the severity of that condition.

**The questions asked regarding medical home in 2007 were revised from those used in 2003. Many new additional questions were added so that the measure and scoring of this indicator would align with the 2005/2006 National Survey of Children with Special Health Care Needs.