



FACT SHEET: MICHIGAN

SICK KIDS



HOW MANY

More than 37,900 children in MI have a complex medical problem that limits their life expectancy

(based on 2019-2020 NSCH)

Cost = ~\$82,000/yr/child

HOSPICE FOR KIDS

MI has over 200 infants to adolescents enrolled in pediatric hospice care

(based on 2011-2013 Medicaid)



IN THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS



Detroit (CD 6,7,9-13) = 109
Flint (CD 8,9) = 19

Grand Rapids (CD 2-4) = 24

PEDIATRIC HOSPICE ROCKS

- Pain & symptom management
- Medical care concurrent with hospice (ACA, section 2302)
- Care continuity
- Family support



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- Care starts at 6 months to live
- Coordinating hospice and medical care is complicated
- 11 out of 192 MI hospices have a pediatric program
- Care is not comprehensive

IMPROVING POLICY



> 37,900 MI families would benefit from a comprehensive, coordinated policy

