More Nev. kids have health insurance, but state 9th worst

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The number of children in Nevada without health insurance was cut by more than half between 2011 and 2016, but the state's rate of uninsured kids remains the ninth-highest in the U.S., according to a report.

The gains in insurance coverage occurred after passage of the Affordable Care Act in 2010 and Nevada's subsequent expansion of the federal Medicaid program, said Elizabeth Lukanen, deputy director of the State Health Access Data Assistance Center. The policy research center based at the University of Minnesota released the report Friday.

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