



EXPAND MEDICAID

THE BEST REFORM FOR AMERICA'S UNINSURED

The need for health care reform grows every day. Since the House and Senate passed reform bills, more Americans have lost their health insurance. More have foregone needed medical care.

Congress must act without further delay.

REFORM MUST AID THOSE WHO NEED HELP THE MOST – America's poorest and most vulnerable. Expanding Medicaid to 150 percent of the federal poverty line, for example, will cover 15 million now uninsured Americans. Medicaid provides more comprehensive benefits at a cost low-income people can afford. Extending Medicaid coverage is less costly than subsidizing private insurance premiums. And the reform bills recognize the reality of tight state budgets by having the federal government assume the lion's share of the cost of the new enrollees.

It's time to finish the job. By building on what works – Medicaid – Congress will give more people access to comprehensive, affordable, and cost-effective health care.

Expanding Medicaid must be a centerpiece of reform.

FINISH THE JOB OF HEALTH CARE REFORM

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