Medicaid

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Medicaid

- Over $530 Billion total spending
- 74 million covered (30% increase since 2013)
- 31 expansion states covered 11 million people
- Half of all births and most nursing home costs
- Provider reimbursement 56% of private insurance (Medicare 80%)
- Minimal out-of-pocket costs
American Health Care Act

- $880 billion in cuts over 10 years
- 14 million fewer in Medicaid
- Medicaid expansion becomes state option
- Enhanced funding eliminated 1/1/20
- Those with coverage on 12/13/19 will be grandfathers with no lapse in coverage
- 6 month redetermination
- $10 billion over 5 years to non-expansion states
American Health Care Act

- Per-capita cap
- Block grant option
- Repeals essential health benefits
- Repeals presumptive eligibility for hospitals
- Counts big lottery winnings
- Applicant fraud penalty raised to $20K
- Planned Parenthood funding prohibition
Medicaid’s Ideological Divide

**Welfare Program**
- Temporary
- Needy
- Hard to get on
- Easy to get off
- Choice
- Protect Public resources

**Solid Safety Net**
- Universal
- Low income
- Easy to get on
- Hard to get off
- Right
- Social responsibility
## Policy Preferences

### Welfare Program
- Work requirements
- Redeterminations
- Cost sharing
- Asset tests
- Detailed applications
- Time limits
- Minimal benefits
- Waitlists

### Solid Safety Net
- Income based eligibility
- Presumptive eligibility
- No out of pocket
- No asset tests
- Streamlined application
- Annual enrollment
- Generous benefits
- Transitions
Middle Ground

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Resources

- CBO
- Kaiser family Foundation
- National Academy for State Health Policy
- Brookings
- BCBS of Massachusetts Foundation


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