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Comment - Medicaid should be expanded now. Our Virginia tax money should come back to pay for this not for residents of other state who have their residents health care more at heart than Virginia. Having insurance helps doctors care for patients who otherwise forgo doctor visits, testing and treatment they cannot afford, finally using an emergency room (the most expensive kind of care) when a crisis occurs. We Virginians already pay for the uninsured by our higher insurance and health care rates, especially hospital charges which are higher to cover the cost of care for those who cannot afford to pay. As Virginians we also are affected by families and individuals who file for bankruptcy when they have medical bills with no way to pay them. Please expand Medicaid and make Virginia a better place to live.