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## Medicaid Reform

1 message

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To: Members of the MIRC Commission <[vamirc@mirc.virginia.gov](mailto:vamirc@mirc.virginia.gov)>

Dear Members of the MIRC Commission,

I do not agree that provider cuts is necessarily the "way to go" with the proposed reform plan. Currently providers are not receiving enough reimbursement to continue to treatment/ cover costs for the medicaid population. After years of working in the health care industry it consistantly appears to be this population that refuses to follow physician recommendation, or take any responsibility in their own health care, often expecting the health care system to burden the entire responsibility of "making them better" with no effort on their behalf. I would recommend that higher Medicaid premiums be issue to clients who are not acting as responsible individuals in their health care (i.e. patients who do not attend follow-up appts and consistantly use the ER as their primary care physician).

I feel that the answer to this issue may need to be stricter Medicaid guidelines for Medicaid recipients rather than stricter guidelines/ cuts at the provider level.

Sincerely,

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