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## New MIRC Comment

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**Comment** - I work for the federal gov't as a seasonal VUA. I left gov't assistance to come back to this job after raising my daughter for the last 6 1/2 years. After I started work (moving back to Virginia to do so) I found out that I made slightly too much to qualify for Medicaid/famis for my daughter. I make \$14.59 an hour, but it is for less than 6 months. I will probably make less than \$15,000 this year. We currently live in a building that houses a women's shelter, and run the risk of being homeless ourselves if I can't find work between now and January. I am currently eligible to be rehired next May-Nov for the same VUA position. I am well educated, however, I haven't ever made enough to pay on my student loans. I would love to pay for health insurance for both my daughter and myself, but I can barely afford our rent. How is the government helping me, while I am trying to get gainful employment? My job has been affected by the sequester and now I may have to wait to get insurance (for my daughter) because the expansion is being put off. This is ridiculous. If you would LET people pay what they can, how is this hurting anyone? I wrote my senator last night. I am against fraudulent use of gov't asst, but you are also hurting the people who are TRYING to get on their feet.