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Comment - I can't come up with 1 reason why VA should not accept the Medicaid expansion provided by the ACA. Low and middle income people have not been able to afford health insurance unless it has been provided by their employers. Many small businesses do not offer health insurance to their employees. The expansion of Medicaid in VA would be a lifeline for these people and would reduce costs to everyone else. This would also reduce the flood of individuals using emergency rooms and being unable to pay. In addition, people who could now have health insurance under the Medicaid expansion would be far less likely to lose everything they have and have to declare bankruptcy if they faced a major medical event. Again, I can't come up with one reason for VA not to accept the Medicaid expansion.