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## **New MIRC Comment**

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Comment - The current proposition has several flaws which need to be addressed before should consider changes to the Commonwealth of Virginia's Medicaid program: 1) federal financial coverage for the Medicaid expansion under Obamacare is only for 2 years; there is a high probability that the Commonwealth will have to take on those expenditures thereafter. We need to know how much it will cost per year and how the cost will be funded by the Commonwealth. 2) Need to understand and plan for the extent to which a massive increase in Medicaid clients would impact quality and quantity of care for existing Medicaid clients and cost to expand physical facilities to cover 400,000 more clients. Health care is a responsibility for each of us - it is not a fundamental "right" which we demand of our government. We need to live more healthy lives - better eating habits, better sleeping habits, daily exercise. Each of us needs to do that at all ages. A good walk costs nothing but may result in a longer, healthier life!