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Medicaid for the Working Poor

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To: Members of the MIRC Commission <vamirc@mirc.virginia.gov>

Dear Members of the MIRC Commission,

I count a young woman working as a manicurist at a hair salon as one of the working poor. She works 5 days a week and yet she does not have enough money to afford health insurance. Until her recent divorce, she was covered through her husband's health insurance. About 2 months ago she fell on the steps in her home. Her great toe was fractured requiring surgery and antibiotic treatment. Her hospital bill for outpatient care is about \$5000. While the bill may be appropriate, for her it is an astronomical amount of money. She is really hoping to be eligible for Medicaid and plans to apply as soon as possible.

I am also a member of the Portsmouth Branch of AAUW (Assoc. of American University Women). AAUW supports the expansion Medicaid.

Sincerely,

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