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I was not able to upload on the public website. Attached is my letter.

Thank you
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Alexandria, VA
October 2, 2013

Medicaid Innovation and Reform Commission
201 North 9th Street
General Assembly Building
Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Chairman Hanger and Members of the Commission:

With all the national press recently about health care, I was surprised and dismayed to learn that our Commonwealth is literally leaving money on the table—and people unnecessarily without health care coverage—by not taking advantage of the Medicaid that Virginia is entitled to and could definitely use.

I am fortunate to have health insurance for our family. We should be finding every possible way to make health care available to every Virginian, and Medicaid provides one way to do that.

I am confident that the Commission can find a way to work out any kinks in the system and then take advantage of Medicaid expansion. Ironically, my taxes are going to support a program that my own state is not tapping into.

As a Virginia voter, taxpayer, and parent, I urge you to expand Medicaid to as many people as possible in the Commonwealth.

Thank you,

Paula Whitacre