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Comment - Please do the right thing by supporting the expansion of Medicaid. - Ray



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I must admit that I was surprised to learn that many of the very poor in Virginia will have no access to health insurance if the Medicaid Innovation and Reform Commission chooses not to allow the expansion of Medicaid in Virginia. That notion seemed to contradict the intent of the Affordable Care Act which I have supported from its inception. However, this reality of that seems to be true. As many as 400,000 Virginians are not going to be able to apply for health insurance without this expansion of Medicaid. This program has been guaranteed by federal statute to cost Virginia nothing for three years and very little after that. It would seem that citizens of this state would actually benefit financially because all Virginians would have these expenses covered. I cannot imagine what argument might be given to not expand the program so that everyone might participate. Why discriminate against the poor.

Please, please, do the right thing for the people of Virginia – expand Medicaid. We will all benefit by knowing that we are helping our neighbors who need help.

Ray