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## New MIRC Comment

1 message

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**Comment** - see attached comments, thank you



Medicaid Reform Comment.pdf

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TO: Medicaid Innovation and Reform Commission (MIRC)

RE: Medicaid Expansion

I am in favor of expansion of the Medicaid program. There are too many Virginians without health insurance who are unable to get the treatment and care needed to get well or stay well. None of us are immune from the unexpected accident or illness that change our lives in an instant. Without a system in place to aid in recovery, we condemn people to a downward spiral of dependency. The cost to us as a society cannot be reflected in one or two line items, it has to be looked at holistically. There are people who are designated as “disabled” yet they cannot qualify for Medicare for two years and lose time in treatment that can move them forward. There are people who lose their insurance when they lose their jobs through no fault of their own and cannot do what’s needed to get themselves well again.

Please expand Medicaid and then let’s fix what’s wrong with Medicaid.