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Comment - I have seen a desperate need for Medicaid expansion for many years. I am retired now, but as a mental health case mgr/therapist in a public agency I/we saw literally hundreds of people whose mental health could have been helped by having the ability to have physical health issues addressed. Instead, they had to ignore illness until it became an emergency, and we are all well aware, that does not address the person getting follow-up, treatment to help them manage their illness or learn to make the lifestyle changes needed. In many cases, these were people who could have become productive, working members of society. Instead, the combination of their mental illness and physical problems made them unable to be higher functioning. Is this the way we want to treat our fellow citizens?