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**Comment** - It is unconscionable that Virginia would let thousands of poor citizens in our great Commonwealth go without basic healthcare treatment outside of the emergency room which everyone knows is the most expensive level of care. Preventive screenings, dental care, and basic antibiotics are critical for the health of our citizens and we all have the right to good health care regardless of income. Citizens working full time, but only making minimum wage still cannot afford any health care services, and free health care clinics do not provide special services such as cardiology, neurology, etc. These specialized services currently can only be addressed in the emergency room. Again, this is the most expensive form of treatment and costs Virginia more money in the long term and is not fiscally responsible. I strongly encourage our Virginia leaders to do the right thing both fiscally and morally and expand Medicaid. To deny Virginia citizens the health care treatment they need is simply immoral and evil.