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Comment - I have been working as a county employee for 34 years in the area of mental health and substance abuse services. Most of the people I have encountered have been uninsured. Being uninsured clearly impedes a person's ability to access needed services for behavioral health as well as for physical health. Research has shown that those who are seriously mentally ill are dying on average 25 years before others in the general population. I urge you to allow Virginia to expand Medicaid to those individuals who earn up to 100% of the federal poverty level!