



Medicaid Buy-In

Support HB 416 & SB 405

Sponsored by Rep Armstrong & Sen Ortiz y Pino

All New Mexicans deserve access to quality, affordable healthcare. A Medicaid Buy-In would allow New Mexico residents who are locked out of coverage to purchase comprehensive coverage.

CLOSE THE COVERAGE GAP

190k
Uninsured

A Medicaid Buy-In will expand coverage and close the coverage gap in New Mexico.

IMPROVE AFFORDABILITY

Unaffordable
Coverage

A Medicaid Buy-In extends quality, affordable coverage to thousands of people in New Mexico.

SUPPORT HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE

Uncompensated
Care

Expanding quality coverage to more people ensures doctors receive payment for their services.



Closing the Coverage Gap in New Mexico

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“We are all equal in deserving health care.” - Alfonso Yazzie, NM Together for Healthcare Leader

Despite incredible progress in recent years, 190,000 New Mexicans are still uninsured. When people sign up for health coverage, they have a regular source of care, are able to catch and manage health problems before they get serious, and have better financial security. Actions at the federal level have caused health care costs to spike for working families. A Medicaid Buy-In can give New Mexico the ability to determine our own path forward by offering quality, affordable coverage to New Mexicans.

What is a Medicaid Buy-In?

A Medicaid Buy-In allows people to use their own dollars to purchase quality coverage that fits their budget. The program will use Medicaid’s administrative infrastructure and purchasing power to keep costs under control and provide meaningful oversight. The plan will cover a comprehensive set of benefits and consumer costs will be adjusted based on income to ensure affordability.

- **Expanding affordable coverage**
- **Healthier communities**
- **Better financial security for New Mexico**

Who can sign up?

People who can’t get affordable coverage from their employer, a public program, or the Affordable Care Act marketplace will be the first group to qualify for the program. Starting with a focus on people who are uninsured will help New Mexico close the coverage gap and ensure doctors and hospitals are paid for their services. If the program proves to be effective and upon further study, the governor will have the option to pursue federal waivers to expand the program to more New Mexicans.

