Medicaid

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Medicaid

- Over \$530 Billion total spending
- □ 74 million covered (30% increase since 2013)
- 31 expansion states covered 11 million people
- Half of all births and most nursing home costs
- Provider reimbursement 56% of private insurance (Medicare 80%)
- Minimal out-of-pocket costs

American Health Care Act

- \$880 billion in cuts over 10 years
- 14 million fewer in Medicaid
- Medicaid expansion becomes state option
- Enhanced funding eliminated 1/1/20
- Those with coverage on 12/13/19 will be grandfathers with no lapse in coverage
- 6 month redetermination
- \$10 billion over 5 years to non-expansion states

American Health Care Act

- Per-capita cap
- Block grant option
- Repeals essential health benefits
- Repeals presumptive eligibility for hospitals
- Counts big lottery winnings
- Applicant fraud penalty raised to \$20K
- Planned Parenthood funding prohibition

Medicaid's Ideological Divide

Welfare Program

- Temporary
- Needy
- Hard to get on
- Easy to get off
- Choice
- Protect Public resources

Solid Safety Net

- Universal
- Low income
- Easy to get on
- Hard to get off
- Right
- Social responsibility

Policy Preferences

Welfare Program

- Work requirements
- Redeterminations
- Cost sharing
- Asset tests
- Detailed applications
- Time limits
- Minimal benefits
- Waitlists

Solid Safety Net

- Income based eligibility
- Presumptive eligibility
- No out of pocket
- No asset tests
- Streamlined application
- Annual enrollment
- Generous benefits
- Transitions

Middle Ground



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Resources

- CBO
- Kaiser family Foundation
- National Academy for State Health Policy
- Brookings
- BCBS of Massachusetts Foundation

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