

“The expansion of Medicaid as originally envisioned by the Affordable Care Act is the best way to mitigate additional cost pressures on employers and consumers in the near term.”

Illinois Chamber of Commerce

Vote YES on SB 26

Illinois's Economy Will Benefit from New Medicaid

Senate Bill 26 will have profound financial implications for Illinois in a positive way. By taking advantage of new Medicaid and the generous federal match, SB 26 will bring in new federal funds; billions of dollars will become newly available. These funds will stimulate Illinois's economy and support thousands of new jobs.

By taking opportunity of new Medicaid for Illinois, SB 26 will:

- **Ease the Financial Burden on Health Care Providers** – Through 2016, this legislation will bring an estimated \$4.6 billion into Illinois in the form Medicaid provider payments for the newly eligible adults, with no net state costs for the care.
- **Help Stabilize Illinois's State Budget** -- The Kaiser Family Foundation estimates that total uncompensated care in Illinois will decline by approximately \$953 million from 2013 - 2022. Townships and General Assistance providers will be relieved from paying for coverage of those who are uninsured and are currently ineligible for Medicaid.
- **Benefit Family Economic Well-Being** – New Medicaid will help reduce the financial burden that those who have private insurance pay towards the cost of uncompensated care. According to a report from Families USA, the average family with private health insurance pays an annual “hidden tax” of over \$1,000 to offset the cost of uncompensated care.
- **Create New Jobs in Illinois** – An increased federal match rate in the Medicaid program will have an enormously significant economic impact. Research shows that in 2016, new federal dollars will support approximately 19,800 new jobs across all sectors of Illinois's economy.
- **Enhanced State Economic Activity** – Job growth and wages generated will be substantial under new Medicaid. The increased federal funding and jobs created are projected to increase economic activity in Illinois by approximately \$2.6 billion in 2016.

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Organizations Supporting SB26 (last updated 2/19/2013)

Illinois Hospital Association
Illinois Chamber of Commerce
Cook County
Cook County Health and Hospitals System
AARP Illinois
Access Living
Aetna
AFC-Community Development Corporation
Age Options
AIDS Foundation of Chicago
AIDS Legal Council of Chicago
Alexian Brothers AIDS Ministry
Alexian Brothers Center for Mental Health
Alzheimer Association Illinois Chapter Network
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network
American Lung Association - Illinois
American Nurses Association Illinois
Areas of Aging (Northwestern, Western and Northeastern Illinois)
Asian American Institute, Member of AACAJ
Asian Health Coalition of Illinois
Asian Human Services
Asian Human Services Family Health Center
Association of Community Mental Health Authorities of Illinois
Association House of Chicago
BJC Healthcare
BlueCross BlueShield of Illinois
Campaign for Better Healthcare
Center for Housing and Health
Center on Halsted
Champaign County Health Care Consumers
Chestnut Health Systems
Chicago Alliance to End Homelessness
Chicago House and Social Service Agency
Chicago Women's AIDS Project
Citizen Action Illinois
CJE SeniorLife
Community Behavioral Healthcare Association Illinois
Community Counseling Centers of Chicago
Community Elements
Connect 2 Protect
Cook County Commissioner Larry Suffredin Corporation for Supportive Housing
Crosspoint Human Services
Deborah's Place
Doctors Council SEIU
Dr. Art Jones
DuPage County Health Department
Ecker Center for Mental Health
Equip for Equality
Erie Family Health Center
Families and Children's Network (FCAN)
Family Services SRC
Family Voices of Illinois/The Arc of Illinois Family to Family
Fathers, Families, and Healthy Communities
Grand Prairie Services
Hamdard Center for Health & Human Services
Haymarket Center
Health Alliance Medical Plans
Health and Disability Advocates
Health and Medicine Policy Research Group
Health Information Center
Healthcare Alternative Systems
Healthcare Consortium of Illinois
Heartland Alliance for Human Needs & Human Rights
Heritage Behavioral Health Center
Housing Opportunities for Women
Howard Brown Health Center
Human Resources Development Institute, Inc
Illinicare Health Plan
Illinois Academy of Family Physicians
Illinois Academy of Physician Assistants
Illinois Action for Children
Illinois Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Association
Illinois Alliance for Retired Americans
Illinois Assistive Technology Program
Illinois Association of Area Agencies on Aging
Illinois Association of Public Health Administrators
Illinois Association of Rehabilitation Facilities
Illinois Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics
Illinois Citizens for Better Care
Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights
Illinois Collaboration on Youth
Illinois Maternal and Child Health Coalition
Illinois Network of Centers for Independent Living
Illinois Partners for Human Service
Illinois Primary Health Care Association
Illinois Psychological Association
Illinois Public Health Association
Illinois Retail Merchants Association (IRMA)
Illinois Society for Advanced Practice Nursing
Independence Center
Indian American Medical Association Charitable Foundation

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Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago
La Rabida Children's Hospital
Lake County Health Department
Latino Policy Forum
League of Women Voters of Illinois
Leyden Family Service and Mental Health Center
Lurie Children's Hospital
Lutheran Social Services of Illinois
Maine Center, Inc.
March of Dimes
Men & Women in Prison Ministries
Mental Health America of Illinois
Mental Health Summit
Meridian Health Plan of Illinois
METRO Counties of Illinois
Metropolitan Asian Family Services
Metropolitan Chicago Breast Cancer Task Force
Metropolitan Family Services
Molina Healthcare of Illinois NAMI Cook County North Suburban
NAMI DeKalb Kane South and Kendall Counties
NAMI of Greater Chicago
NAMI of Illinois
NAMI South Suburbs of Chicago
National Association of Social Workers IL Chapter
National Council of Jewish Women-Illinois Committee
National Kidney Foundation of Illinois
New Foundation Center
Next Steps- NFP
Northern Illinois Public Health Consortium
Northwestern Illinois Center for Independent Living
Northwestern Memorial HealthCare
Open Door Clinic
Organization of the NorthEast (ONE)
Ounce of Prevention Fund
Pediatric AIDS Chicago Prevention Initiative
Planned Parenthood of Illinois
Parents Organized to Win, Educate and Renew – Policy Action Council (POWER PAC)
Prairie Center
Presence Health
Progressive Action for the Common Good
Project IRENE
Protestants for the Common Good
Respiratory Health Association
Roosevelt University's Illinois Consortium on Drug Policy
Rosecrance
Sacred Creations
Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law
SEIU Healthcare Illinois Indiana

SEIU Illinois Council
SEIU Local 73
Sinai Health System
South Asian American Policy & Research Institute
Southwest Organizing Project (SWOP)
Statewide Independent Living Council
Supportive Housing Providers Association
TASC, Inc.
The Arc of Illinois
The South Suburban Council on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse
Thresholds
Township Officials of Illinois
Trilogy
Turning Point Behavioral Health Care Center
UCB Pharma
United Power for Action and Justice
United Way of Illinois
University of Illinois Hospital & Health Sciences System
Vermilion County 708 Mental Health Board
Voices for Illinois Children
WellCare
Wells Center
WellSpring Resource

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