Closing the Gap in Wyoming

Helps Families O Helps Businesses Helps Wyoming

What is the coverage gap?

Currently, 19,000 Wyomingites are stuck in the coverage gap. This means they:

- Don't have jobs with health insurance;
- Make too much money to qualify for Medicaid; and
- Don't make enough to get help paying for insurance.



Help families and improve quality of life

Wyoming families deserve access to affordable, quality healthcare. Closing the coverage gap means those with incomes up to \$20,800 yearly (138% of the federal poverty level) can see a doctor and avoid medical debt.

10% of Wyomingites have medical debt in collections, with a median amount of \$2,516.

The people who will finally qualify for coverage do important jobs that we depend on, such as:













Ranchers

Seasonal Workers like Wildland Firefighters

Childcare Workers

Construction Workers

Home Health Aides

Restaurant Workers

Get Involved



Learn more or join us in advocating to close the coverage gap at healthywyoming.org.

Help Businesses and Our Economy

Closing the coverage gap will create jobs, economic growth, and healthier communities.

Over the next five years, it could create 2,000 jobs, grow economic output by \$1.5 billion, and help small businesses that can't afford employee insurance.

When people have the healthcare they need, they are healthy enough to find work, get job training, go back to school, hold multiple seasonal jobs, and stay employed.

Success in Montana

Wyoming is the only state in the Rocky Mountain region that has not closed the coverage gap. In Montana, the program:

- Supported 7,500 jobs and \$475 million in personal income;
- Helped businesses in every county, industry, and size to give workers insurance;
- Increased workforce participation for those living on low incomes.

Help Wyoming Communities Thrive

Since 2010, Wyoming has lost \$1 billion by not closing the coverage gap.

The federal government pays 90% of the costs for almost three years, and Wyoming can stop the program anytime. Closing the coverage gap will significantly improve people's quality of life Wyoming communities' economic well-being by:



Keeping rural hospitals open



Creating good-paying jobs



Expanding health care services across the state



Increasing access to mental health services

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