

I personally don't have experience with Medicaid. I do know that the lack of insurance forces many people to go to Emergency Rooms for both belated care and much more expensive care. These two facts seem to me to be no brainers for expanding Medicaid.

I also know that our county (Nemaha) is voting on a 1/2 cent sales tax in April to help preserve our hospitals in Seneca and Sabetha. They are not in trouble now and do not have local tax support. The concern is for the future.

This is not directly affecting Medicaid. It probably will in the future if Medicaid is not expanded and we must absorb more ER visits.

Thank you for your work.

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