

Expanding Medicaid is so important. There are lots of people who need medical help and are financially unable to get help.

For example, the people, like my son, who gets temporary jobs thru a Temp Agency. These Temp Agencies put them out on temporary jobs with no medical insurance. What are these people supposed to do if they need to go to the doctor or hospital? The first thing the doctor's office asks, is what kind of insurance do you have? If you don't have insurance, they want \$50 just to look at you.

Recently, a neighbor of mine took me to the hospital because I had a bad reaction from the antibiotic I was prescribed by a doctor in Immediate Care at Wichita Clinic. I was dehydrated from the loss of my electrolytes and I could hardly walk. I was in St. Joseph emergency for 3 hours and just the hospital bill was \$5,000. If I hadn't had insurance, the hospital would have to write that off.

Our Governor and our Legislature need to pass Expanding Medicaid.

Sincerely,

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