ObamaCare’s Unsustainable Medicaid Expansion

**EXPLODING ENROLLMENT**

ObamaCare expansion states have enrolled twice as many able-bodied adults than they expected to ever enroll.

- There are nearly 13 million able-bodied adults on Medicaid due to ObamaCare expansion.
- On average, ObamaCare expansion states have enrolled 110 percent more adults than expected.

**SKYROCKETING COSTS**

Over enrollment has led to massive cost overruns in ObamaCare expansion states.

- Per person costs have exceeded projections by 76 percent.
- Taxpayers have spent 157 percent more on ObamaCare than state officials promised.
- If the remaining states expanded ObamaCare, it would cost taxpayers $676.2 billion.

**CROWDING OUT PRIVATE INSURANCE**

Expanding Medicaid to individuals who already have private insurance unnecessarily raises costs for taxpayers.

- 54 percent of potentially eligible expansion adults already have private coverage.
- States that recently expanded ObamaCare experienced a massive shift from private coverage to Medicaid.
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HURTING THE TRULY NEEDY

Nationwide, more than 700,000 truly needy individuals are trapped on Medicaid waiting lists. Instead of helping them, ObamaCare expansion redirects limited taxpayer resources to able-bodied, working-age adults.

Nearly 22,000 individuals on Medicaid waiting lists have died since ObamaCare expansion began. Every dollar spent on able-bodied adults is a dollar that can’t go towards the truly needy.

Skylar Overman, 12 years old, has a rare neurological condition that causes her to have multiple seizures a day and require constant care. Skylar spent more than 10 years on the state’s waiting list, and there are nearly 3,000 more Arkansans just like her on waiting lists while able-bodied adults receive coverage.

ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS THAT WORK

ObamaCare expansion has been a disaster, but states have proven solutions at their disposal.

ASSOCIATION HEALTH PLANS (AHPs)

If states expanded access to AHPs, up to four million Americans would have access to more affordable health insurance. Average premium prices with AHPs can be up to $10,000 lower than individual market premiums.

SHORT-TERM PLANS

If states expanded access to short-term plans, 2.5 million uninsured Americans would have access to affordable health insurance. Short-term plans are 50 to 80 percent less expensive than individual market plans.