



Health Care Policy Solutions



Association health plans (AHPs)

AHPs make it easier for small businesses to join together to purchase affordable, high-quality health insurance for themselves and their employees.



Telehealth for specialists

Expanding telehealth access to specialists and mental health providers would give patients more options for high-quality care—regardless of their geographic location or access to transportation.



Short-term plans

Short-term plans offer Americans insurance options that work for them, at up to 80 percent less than plans on the individual market.



Telehealth across state lines

Updating telehealth licensing laws would give patients more options for high-quality care—regardless of their geographic location or access to transportation.



Invisible risk sharing

Risk sharing programs for individual market plans can lower premiums by covering some of the costs of high-risk enrollees with pre-existing conditions.



Allow farm bureau plans

Exempting classes of health plans from the definition of “health insurance” would allow more affordable plans to enter the market, and benefit groups such as farmers.



Expanding direct medical care to specialists

Direct care arrangements allow patients to pay a fixed, monthly fee and in return gain regular access to their doctor or specialist, without fear of rising costs.



Eliminate certificate of need

Removing barriers that prevent hospitals, and other treatment centers, from building new facilities, expanding/updating existing facilities, adding new technology or services, etc.



Expanding scope of practice

Expanding scope of practice for nurses will allow medical providers to practice to the full extent of their training, and will provide many benefits to patients, including increased access in rural areas and decreased wait times for the elderly.



Allow employers to more easily provide telehealth

Ensuring that telehealth benefits are not classified as insurance will allow employers to more easily provide these benefits and increase access for employees.



Good to go



Caution, work to be done



Wrong direction

FGA HEALTH CARE REFORM STATUS



STATE	REFORM				
	Association health plans	Short-term Plans	Invisible risk sharing	Telehealth across state lines	Telehealth for specialists
Alabama	Red	Green	Red	Yellow	Red
Alaska	Yellow	Green	Green	Red	Green
Arizona	Green	Green	Red	Red	Green
Arkansas	Yellow	Green	Red	Red	Green
California	Red	Red	Red	Red	Green
Colorado	Red	Red	Green	Red	Green
Connecticut	Red	Yellow	Red	Red	Green
Delaware	Red	Red	Green	Red	Green
Florida	Green	Green	Red	Green	Green
Georgia	Yellow	Green	Yellow	Red	Green
Hawaii	Red	Red	Red	Red	Green
Idaho	Green	Green	Red	Red	Green
Illinois	Red	Yellow	Red	Red	Yellow
Indiana	Red	Yellow	Red	Red	Green
Iowa	Yellow	Yellow	Red	Red	Yellow
Kansas	Green	Yellow	Red	Red	Green
Kentucky	Green	Green	Red	Yellow	Green
Louisiana	Red	Yellow	Red	Yellow	Green
Maine	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Yellow	Green
Maryland	Red	Red	Green	Yellow	Yellow
Massachusetts	Red	Red	Red	Red	Green
Michigan	Red	Yellow	Red	Red	Green
Minnesota	Red	Yellow	Green	Green	Green
Mississippi	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yellow
Missouri	Red	Yellow	Red	Red	Green
Montana	Red	Green	Green	Red	Green
Nebraska	Yellow	Green	Red	Red	Green
Nevada	Red	Yellow	Red	Yellow	Green
New Hampshire	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Red	Green
New Jersey	Red	Red	Green	Red	Green
New Mexico	Red	Red	Red	Green	Green
New York	Red	Red	Red	Red	Green
North Carolina	Green	Green	Red	Red	Yellow
North Dakota	Red	Yellow	Green	Red	Green
Ohio	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yellow
Oklahoma	Green	Green	Red	Red	Green
Oregon	Red	Red	Green	Yellow	Green
Pennsylvania	Red	Green	Green	Red	Yellow
Rhode Island	Red	Red	Green	Red	Green
South Carolina	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yellow
South Dakota	Green	Yellow	Red	Red	Green
Tennessee	Green	Green	Red	Red	Green
Texas	Red	Green	Red	Yellow	Yellow
Utah	Red	Green	Red	Yellow	Green
Vermont	Red	Red	Red	Red	Yellow
Virginia	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yellow
Washington	Red	Red	Red	Red	Green
West Virginia	Yellow	Green	Red	Red	Yellow
Wisconsin	Red	Yellow	Green	Red	Yellow
Wyoming	Yellow	Green	Red	Red	Green

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Alabama	●	●	●	●	●
Alaska	●	●	●	●	●
Arizona	●	●	●	●	●
Arkansas	●	●	●	●	●
California	●	●	●	●	●
Colorado	●	●	●	●	●
Connecticut	●	●	●	●	●
Delaware	●	●	●	●	●
Florida	●	●	●	●	●
Georgia	●	●	●	●	●
Hawaii	●	●	●	●	●
Idaho	●	●	●	●	●
Illinois	●	●	●	●	●
Indiana	●	●	●	●	●
Iowa	●	●	●	●	●
Kansas	●	●	●	●	●
Kentucky	●	●	●	●	●
Louisiana	●	●	●	●	●
Maine	●	●	●	●	●
Maryland	●	●	●	●	●
Massachusetts	●	●	●	●	●
Michigan	●	●	●	●	●
Minnesota	●	●	●	●	●
Mississippi	●	●	●	●	●
Missouri	●	●	●	●	●
Montana	●	●	●	●	●
Nebraska	●	●	●	●	●
Nevada	●	●	●	●	●
New Hampshire	●	●	●	●	●
New Jersey	●	●	●	●	●
New Mexico	●	●	●	●	●
New York	●	●	●	●	●
North Carolina	●	●	●	●	●
North Dakota	●	●	●	●	●
Ohio	●	●	●	●	●
Oklahoma	●	●	●	●	●
Oregon	●	●	●	●	●
Pennsylvania	●	●	●	●	●
Rhode Island	●	●	●	●	●
South Carolina	●	●	●	●	●
South Dakota	●	●	●	●	●
Tennessee	●	●	●	●	●
Texas	●	●	●	●	●
Utah	●	●	●	●	●
Vermont	●	●	●	●	●
Virginia	●	●	●	●	●
Washington	●	●	●	●	●
West Virginia	●	●	●	●	●
Wisconsin	●	●	●	●	●
Wyoming	●	●	●	●	●