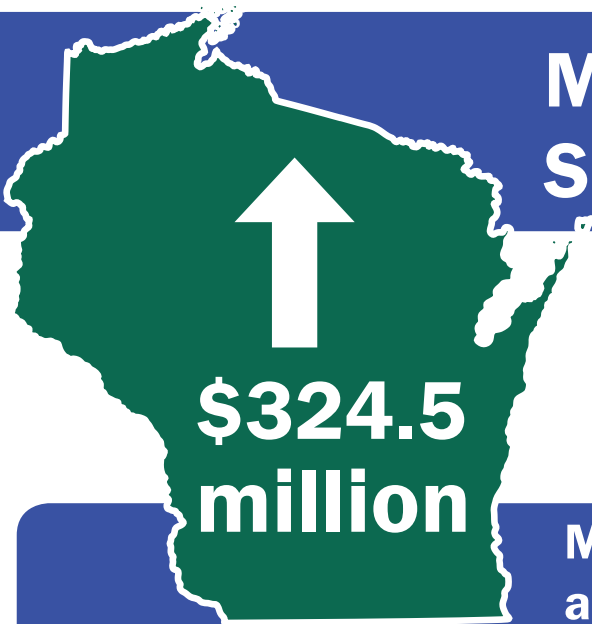


Medicaid Expansion Will Save the State Money



Under federal law, the state will never pay more than 10 percent of the program's cost for new eligible Medicaid enrollees. Wisconsin would save **\$324.5 million** over the biennium. 37 other states (including Washington DC) have already expanded Medicaid and are using these savings.

Many Medicaid Expansion Enrollees are Already Working

According to the Kaiser Family Foundation, nearly eight in 10 non-disabled, non-elderly adults on Medicaid live in working families, and a majority are working themselves. Many Medicaid expansion enrollees are working at low-wage jobs for employers that don't offer health insurance, such as care providers.



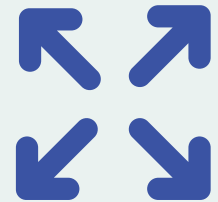
Medicaid Will Boost Wisconsin's Economy

Medicaid expansion has provided a huge economic boost to the other states that have expanded, injecting millions federal dollars into the economy at a time when health care is one of the few industries growing. Hospitals are big employers and additional funding helps them and other health-related businesses hire more workers. In Wisconsin is reinvesting all the savings from the Medicaid expansion back into the health care system to support new initiatives.



Medicaid Expansion is Sustainable

The federal government has been providing a 90% match to states for 6 years and there have been no examples of non-payment to any of the 37 states involved that have expanded Medicaid. Wisconsin currently operates several programs that draw down a consistent, enhanced federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP).



Medicaid Expansion Will Not Increase Private Insurance Costs

Not supporting the expansion adds to the cost of health care for everyone. Uninsured people seek care through the emergency department and hospitals which have to absorb those costs. In other states, Medicaid expansion reduced hospital uncompensated care by millions and prevented personal medical bankruptcies. Expansion decreased costs dramatically for hospitals, resulting in lower health care costs and insurance premiums for everyone.



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