

# Recommended Framework to Address Coverage Gap



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## Idahoans in the Coverage Gap Need a Healthcare Plan, Not a Delay

While discussions about reforming the national healthcare system take place, tens of thousands of Idahoans remain uninsured. Idahoans in the coverage gap, a majority are working and most have children in the home, have suffered far too long and cannot wait any longer for a solution. Further state delays could jeopardize current healthcare funding and cause undue cost shifts to Idaho to fund existing programs. Close the Gap Idaho supports taking urgent action to address the coverage gap crisis and provide essential coverage to the 78,000 Idaho adults in the gap.

### A plan to provide affordable, high-quality healthcare coverage for the gap population must adhere to the following framework:

#### ► Essential Coverage:

- Preventive Care
- Primary Care
- Specialty Care
- Behavioral Healthcare
- Prescription Coverage
- Hospital Services
- Labs & Imaging Services

#### ► Managed Care:

- Integrate with systems established by SHIP<sup>1</sup>
- Establish patient-centered medical homes
- Coordinate team-based care
- Reward improved health outcomes

#### ► Controlled Costs:

- Leverage federal dollars with state dollars at enhanced FMAP<sup>2</sup> rates
- Eliminate inefficient public programs, including county indigent programs and the state Catastrophic Health Care Cost Program (the CAT Fund)
- Incorporate accountability for high-quality care and the reduction of unnecessary costs

<sup>1</sup> The Statewide Healthcare Innovation Plan (SHIP), endorsed by the Idaho Legislature and managed by Idaho department of Health and Welfare, is an innovative, values-based delivery system model that utilizes patient-centered medical homes to provide coordinated team-based care aligns payment incentives with performance goals.

<sup>2</sup> Enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentages (FMAP) are used to determine the federal government's share of the cost of services in state medical programs.