

The faith community is called to care for the poor and offer hope in the darkness of despair.

Now is the time to reach the nearly 400,000 uninsured and underinsured adults who stand to benefit in 2019 from Medicaid Expansion in Virginia to give them

HEALTH CARE HOPE

People can apply beginning in **November** for Medicaid coverage starting on **January 1, 2019**. To be eligible, recipients must:

- Be Virginia residents, aged 19-64
- Not be currently enrolled in or eligible for Medicare
- Meet income requirements, which vary by household (single adult making up to \$16,754 or a family of three making up to \$28,677)

In Virginia, low-income workers in retail, construction, childcare, landscaping and food service are often not provided health insurance. More than **40 percent** of adults eligible for coverage under Medicaid expansion are

people of color. Many who may have been denied coverage in the past may become eligible under

Medicaid Expansion, but may not know that the rules have changed. Their lives can change with **Health Care Hope**.



“For the poor shall never cease out of the land; therefore, I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land.”

DEUTERONOMY 15:11



VICPP IS

- Educating communities about the benefits of Medicaid Expansion under the new rules
- Equipping faith communities with resources to reach the uninsured and underinsured
- Opposing work requirements and cost-sharing regulations
- Linking people who want to help others enroll in Medicaid with authorized trainers
- Recording inspiring personal stories of new enrollees in Medicaid

TAKE ACTION TO DELIVER HEALTH CARE HOPE

- Pray for the uninsured and underinsured
- Distribute Health Care Hope flyers, postcards and posters throughout your community, workplace and network
- Follow VICPP and share our posts about Health Care Hope on social media
- Volunteer to help your church or community group host a Health Care Hope Community Forum
- Submit comments opposing work requirements and cost-sharing regulations

For more information and a copy of the VICPP Health Care Hope PowerPoint, visit: virginiainterfaithcenter.org/healthcare or email

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