



Health Reform: What's In and What's Out re: CLAS, Immigrants and Health Disparities

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“Securing Health Rights for Those in Need”

Immigrant Inclusion

- Coverage for everyone regardless of status
- Equitable treatment of immigrants

Senate HELP

- Legal immigrants can get insurance through the Gateway and subsidies
- No lifting the 5-year bar in Medicaid, CHIP, and Medicare (no jurisdiction)
- Undocumented persons are prohibited from receiving subsidies.
- Coverage does not address mixed-households

Senate Finance

- Prohibition on undocumented immigrants from purchasing into the Exchange (even when paying in full)
- Legal immigrants can get coverage in the Exchange and subsidy credits
- No lifting the 5-year bar in Medicaid, CHIP, or Medicare

Senate Finance

- Mixed Households
 - Citizen or legal kids protected – can obtain coverage in the Exchange and get subsidies
 - BUT – the current bill income eligibility rules for the subsidy will hurt families and likely prevent these same kids from getting affordable coverage

House

- Legal immigrants can purchase insurance in the Exchange and can get subsidies
- Prohibition of undocumented persons from getting subsidies
- No lifting of 5-year bar

Next Steps

- House and Senate floor action
 - Potential for amendments

- Conference Committee

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