



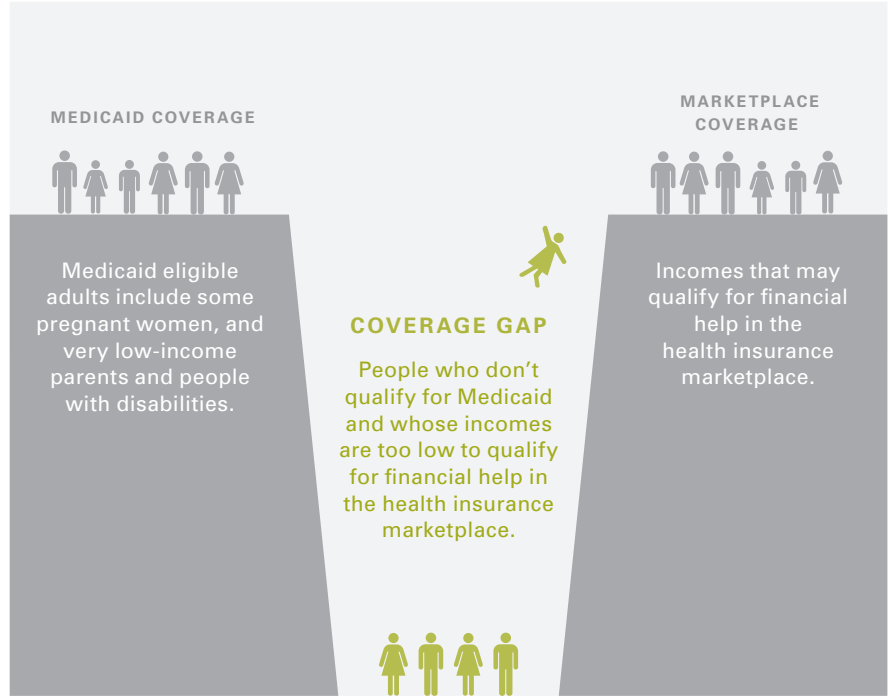
Georgia's Coverage Gap

Because of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), thousands of Georgians have signed up for low-cost health coverage. Being covered means they are less stressed, more financially secure, and healthier!

Unfortunately, more than 300,000 Georgians remain unable to get coverage. These Georgians are veterans, working parents, and low-wage workers. They are our friends, family members, and neighbors. They do not qualify for Medicaid and do not make enough money to get financial help through the health insurance marketplace. They are stuck in the *coverage gap*.

Our elected officials have the power to solve this problem. The health care law was designed to provide a path to health insurance to all Americans, but our state government still has work to do. Governor Deal and the state legislature can choose to use federal tax dollars that have been already set aside to provide coverage to those in the gap. What's more, we can choose to opt out at any time at no risk to our state.

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Do you know someone in the coverage gap?

How big is your family?

Monthly Income

If your monthly income is in this range, you fall in the coverage gap.*

Annual Income

If your annual income is in this range, you fall in the coverage gap.*

NON-PARENTS



1 person
(just you)

\$0 to \$980

\$0 to \$11,770



2 people
(you and your spouse)

\$0 to \$1327

\$0 to \$15,930

PARENTS



2 people
(you & a child)

\$457 to \$1327

\$5484 to \$15,930



3 people

\$551 to \$1674

\$6612 to \$20,090



4 people

\$653 to \$2020

\$7836 to \$24,250

*All ranges are based on the federal 2015 FPL guidelines.

Closing the Coverage Gap is good for...

- **Georgia's economy**

More than 50,000 jobs will be created in Georgia. Closing the gap would generate economic activity, resulting in \$220 million a year in new state and local tax revenue.

- **Georgia's workforce**

An estimated 30,000 new health care jobs will be created. Other industries, like real estate, restaurants, and transportation, will benefit from new jobs too.

- **Georgians!**

Georgia has the second highest uninsured rate in the country: closing the coverage gap will help cover more than 300,000 Georgians. These Georgians will be able to access preventive services, see the doctor when they get sick, and have the financial peace of mind that comes from knowing they are covered.

Closing the coverage gap is a good bargain too!

- **Georgia will receive an estimated \$40.5 billion in federal money over the next decade.**
- **The federal government already has the money set aside for this use. The money is just sitting there waiting for Georgia to use it.**
- **There is no risk. Georgia can back out at any time after we accept the federal funding. If it is not working or costing the state too much money, we can change our minds.**

Take action now!

- **Share your coverage gap story.**

Cover Georgia wants to hear from you! If you fall in the coverage gap, tell us how health insurance would help you and your family. Your story will help us show policymakers and other Georgians why it is so important to close the coverage gap. Share your story at healthyfuturega.org/mystory or call us at 404-567-5016.

- **Tell your state legislators to close the coverage gap.**

Tell them that you think they should close the coverage gap by expanding Medicaid. Use the facts above to tell them why closing the coverage gap is good for Georgia. Find your state legislators by visiting www.healthyfuturega.org/advocacy and scroll down to "Find & contact your legislator."

For more information about how Georgia can close the coverage gap visit coverga.org, like Georgians for a Healthy Future on Facebook, or follow us on twitter @healthyfuturega