

# SUPPORT SB25-045

## HEALTH-CARE PAYMENT SYSTEM ANALYSIS

Sen. Marchman; Reps. McCormick & Boesenecker

The Health-Care Payment System Analysis will provide a detailed examination of the feasibility of creating a publicly financed universal health insurance payment system in Colorado, including how to pay for this system. SB25-045 will answer:

- What would a universal health care insurance system in Colorado look like for you?
- What would it cost you?
- What would be the impacts on your providers and other health care workers?
- What would the consequences be for your individual and community health?
- Where are the current gaps in your health care and how could such a system address these gaps?
- How would nonprofit public health insurance benefit all Coloradans in every demographic?

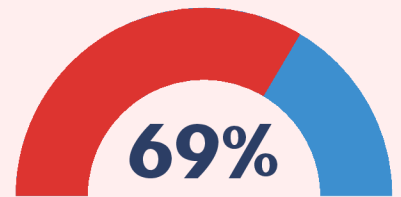
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## COLORADANS DO NOT HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE, AND

- Coloradans are outraged with a private health insurance industry that delays, denies, and doesn't pay for health care, while charging higher and higher premiums, deductibles and copays.
- These tactics render a climbing number of Coloradans underinsured and prevent nearly half of them from accessing the care that they need.
- Younger adults, Latinx adults, and people with low incomes report the most concern about paying for care.
- Six in 10 Coloradans want fundamental changes to our health care system.

Source: How Coloradans Feel About Affordability and Health Reform, 2022



A 2023 survey found that almost 7/10 Coloradans characterized the cost of health care and mental health care as "extremely" or "very serious" concerns.

[www.copulsepoll.org/results](http://www.copulsepoll.org/results)

## What do we know?

HB19-1176 — The Health Care Cost Savings Act — created a Task Force supported by the experts at the Colorado School of Public Health to conduct an unbiased and nonpartisan comparison of Colorado's current health-care financing system with a multi-payer universal health care system that included private insurers and a publicly financed and privately delivered universal health-care payment system that directly compensates providers. The Task Force's 2021 report to the General Assembly found that "a fully publicly financed and privately delivered (universal) health care system could yield significant health care savings."

## So, what's next?

We know that Coloradans need affordable and comprehensive health care and a clear path to a solution. Our state has significant data on the opportunities and barriers to a universal health care public insurance system, but we have more to do. **SB25-045 Health-Care Payment System Analysis is the next logical step.**



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