

NEO-MEC

Northeast Ohio Medicaid Expansion Coalition

Who We Are: NEO-MEC is a rapidly-expanding partnership of religious congregations, health care providers, community organizations, businesses, insurers, medical professionals, consumer groups, and advocates working together to help our state expand Medicaid to all Ohioans now eligible under the Affordable Care Act.

What We Believe: Medicaid expansion is vital to our region and the state as a whole:

1. The health and well being of hundreds of thousands of uninsured members of our community will be greatly enhanced by access to life-saving medical coverage that Medicaid can provide.
2. We can better address the issue of health care “hot spots” by bringing uninsured persons onto care and into patient centered medical homes.
3. The economic impact of Medicaid expansion will bring tens of thousands of new jobs and millions of dollars in new tax revenue to our region.
4. The sustainability of our world-class health care facilities, a major centerpiece of Northeast Ohio’s economy, requires adequate reimbursement for the care provided. Medicaid expansion will be an important funding source to cover our uninsured residents. The current path is unsustainable.
5. Ohio businesses will continue to be disadvantaged by higher health insurance premiums if we don’t dramatically reduce the number of uninsured Ohioans.

What is at Stake for Ohio:

- Making Ohioans healthier and lessening hardship and suffering
- Generating significant economic activity and creating good paying jobs
- Reducing uncompensated care
- Strengthening communities

Our Membership:

Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging
Care Alliance
Center for Community Solutions
Centers for Families and Children
The Center for Health Affairs
Council for Ohio Health Care Advisory
Cleveland Clinic
Cuyahoga County ADAMHS Board
Cuyahoga Health Access Partnership
Crossroads, Mentor
Doctors Organized for Health Care Solutions
Greater Cleveland Congregations

Greater Cleveland Re-entry Coalition
The Gund Foundation
Mental Health Services, Inc.
The MetroHealth System
Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation
National Association of Social Workers Ohio
New Directions, Mentor
Parma Hospital
Sisters of Charity Health Care System
SPAN Ohio
The Free Clinic
UHCAN Ohio
University Hospitals

Coalition Membership Form

Name of Organization: _____

Name of Key Contact Person: _____

Phone #: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Size of Membership/Population Served: _____

Geography of Membership/Population Served: _____

Our organization can offer to the coalition:

___ Use of name on coalition materials

___ Staff time

___ Financial support

___ In-kind support (printing, design, communications, web, etc.)

___ Organizing Medicaid testimonies

___ Organizing constituent support

___ Other: _____