Medicaid means improved health and increased prosperity for families, communities, and businesses here in Mississippi. Today, roughly 1 out of 5 Mississippians rely on Medicaid for their health care needs. Without Medicaid, large regions of our state and its residents would have little or no access to health care.

For many children and families, especially the...

54% of Mississippians living in rural communities across our state,

Medicaid means access to critical, cost-effective health coverage that ensures people have access to regular, preventive care, such as prenatal care for women, Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) for children, and cancer and diabetes screenings.

For Mississippi, Medicaid means an enduring health care network, especially in the most rural parts of the state. Doctors, nurses and hospitals rely on Medicaid to reimburse them for their medical services. Without it, hospitals will close at a much faster pace and doctors will begin to leave already underserved areas.
In countless Mississippi communities, Medicaid also fosters economic growth. Medicaid means hard-working residents can access good paying jobs in health care and the numerous small businesses that support hospitals, clinics and pharmacies.

For every $1 Mississippi invests in Medicaid, we receive $3 in return from the Federal government to provide care.

Mississippi Medicaid allows coverage for only those in 5 specified categories:

- **Children**: 374,344
- **Seniors**: 70,764
- **Family Planning Waiver**: 24,642
- **Low-Income Parents, Caretakers Pregnant Women**: 68,762
- **People with Disabilities & the Visually Impaired**: 173,828

Medicaid is a proven program that enables us to enhance public health, increase economic growth, and better meet the healthcare needs of our residents.