

## Special Needs Planning and the Affordable Health Care Act

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# Ye Olde Special Needs Practice

"Special needs planning is triggered by a potential beneficiary's **pre-existing health problems**. The special needs trust is designed to allow publicly funded coverage (Medicaid) to be acquired or continue, and use the trust funds to supplement the federal programs."





#### **PPACA Sec. 2704(a):**

"PROHIBITION OF PRE-EXISTING CONDITION EXCLUSIONS OR OTHER DISCRIMINATION BASED ON HEALTH STATUS. A group health plan and a health insurance issuer offering group or individual health insurance coverage may not impose any pre-existing condition exclusion with respect to such plan or coverage."

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# Essential Rationale of ACA - the three-legged stool

#### First leg: Health Insurance Market Reform

- Preventive care change from "sickness insurance" to "health insurance" wellness visits and elimination of copays for things that prevent illness (e.g., flu shots) or are early detection (e.g., colonoscopies, breast exams)
- Regulate profit 80% rule and rebates
- Increase competition federal or state online marketplaces or "exchanges"
- Eliminate gender disparity in premiums
- Shrink the premium disparity between young and old
- Reduce five-year bands for increases in premiums to one year bands
- Continue children to age 26 on parents' plans
- Increase transparency prescribe ten essential benefits
- Eliminate mini-med policies
- Cap the Annual Deductible at \$6,350 eliminate Annual and Lifetime Caps (and reduce medical bankruptcies)
- Control long term unexpected rescissions of policies

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**Second leg: The Individual Mandate** – now that the bar of pre-existing conditions has been eliminated

- Who is not required to buy health insurance the nine exceptions
- The tax penalty to enforce it scheduled to rise to the cost of the least expensive health insurance plan

#### Third leg: Assistance in Purchasing Health Insurance

- "Advanced Premium Tax Credits" to help with monthly premiums for persons up to 400% of FPL
- "Cost Sharing Subsidies" for out-of-pocket expenses annual deductible and copays
- Medicaid Expansion to the working poor (optional per U.S. Supreme Court)

# Metal tiers determine how much you pay as a patient, compared with what the plan pays.

<b>Metal Tiers</b>	<b>Paid by Health Plan</b>	<b>Paid by Consumer</b>
Bronze	60%	40%
Silver	70%	30%
Gold	80%	20%
Platinum	90%	10%

For those under 30, catastrophic plan covers three physician

# **Help with Health Insurance**

- Cap on out-of-pocket costs (copays, coinsurance, and deductibles) = \$6,350/yr for individual, \$12,700/yr for family
- Advanced Tax Credits to pay Insurance Premium Cost for those between 100% and 400% of Federal Poverty Level
- Cost sharing subsidies for persons up to 250% of FPL for out-of-pocket costs (e.g., 13% for the person in the example)

#### How is the premium tax credit calculated?

#### Step One

Determine annual income as percent of Federal Poverty Level

#### Step Two

 Apply the percent against the cost of the "benchmark plan" which is the second lowest Silver Plan offered on the online exchange

#### Step Three

 The dollar amount yielded by Step Two is what the person has to apply to the cost of the plan they choose – they can choose whichever "metal" plan they want: bronze, silver, gold or platinum

# Theory: How middle income people pay for the health insurance: the Math Behind the Online Scenes

#### **EXHIBIT 1**

#### Individual Responsibility for Premium Costs in Premium Tax Credit Calculation

Income level as percentage of federal poverty level	Premium costs as a percentage of income, 2014
Less than 133%	2
At least 133% but less than 150%	3-4
At least 150% but less than 200%	4-6.3
At least 200% but less than 250%	6.3-8.05
At least 250% but less than 300%	8.05-9.5
At least 300% but less than 400%	9.5

**SOURCE** Federal Register, "Internal Revenue Service; Health Insurance Premium Tax Credit; Final Regulations," May 23, 2012.

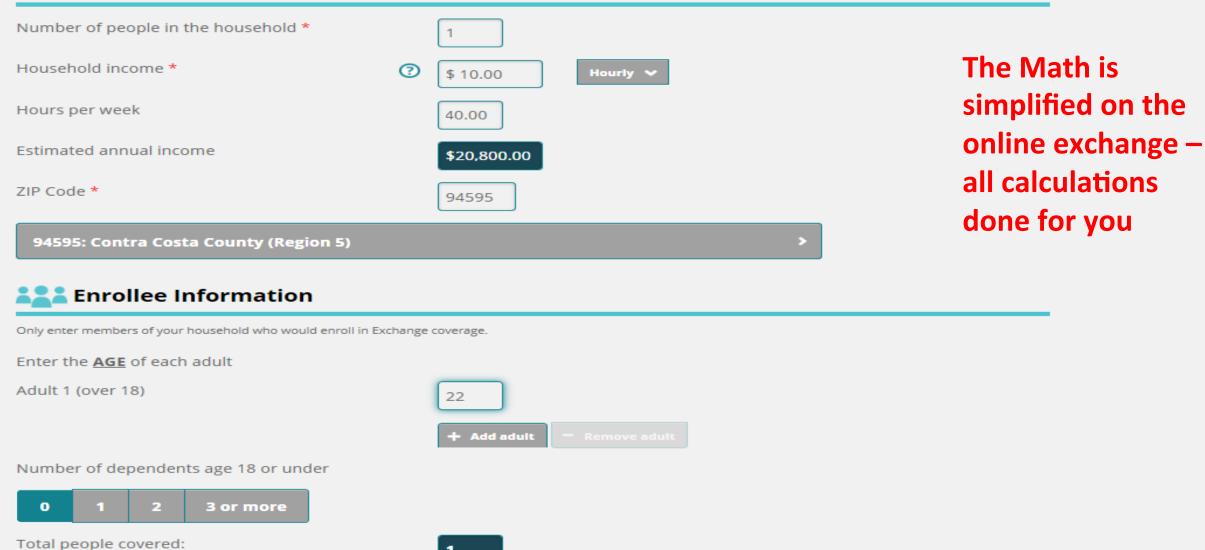
#### **Program Eligibility by Percent of Federal Poverty Level**

Household Size	N	Medicaid Expansion* For the Working Poor		Eligible for "Advanced Tax Credits" to Pay Monthly Premiums  For Silver Level+ Plans						
		<b>.</b>				ng Subsidies"				
	100%	133%	138%	139%	150%	200%	250%	300%	400%	
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7	\$35,610	\$47,361	\$49,142	\$49,498	\$53,415	\$71,220	\$89,025	\$106,830	\$142,440	
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Medicaid Expansion, "Advanced Tax Credits" to Pay Monthly Premiums, and "Cost Sharing Subsidies" \* Available in 27states; No Asset Test – only an income test



#### **Household Information**



\$ Breaking Down the Monthly Cost

Good news! You may qualify for help with paying for health insurance through Covered California. Now, let's take a look at the health insurance plans that may be available in your area!

#### **Enhanced Silver 87**

Enhanced Silver Coverage: ≈87%



Blue Shield Enhanced Silver 87 PPO

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**VIEW DETAILS** 



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#### **Your Options**

No matter which plan, the amount for advanced tax credit for premium assistance stays the same

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Some plans are HMOs, others PPOs

# **Example: Jane decides to take the tax credit now**

"If I take the tax credit now, I lower my monthly premium costs to \$60"

\$300	Monthly Premium
<u>-\$240</u>	Monthly Tax Credit
\$60	New Monthly Cost

#### or to take it later

"If I take the same tax credit later, I pay the full \$300 premium now but get a bigger tax refund next April"

\$900 Tax due from wages
-\$2,880 Yearly Tax Credit
\$1,980 IRS Tax Refund



But what if Jane's economic situation changes during the year? A reconciliation occurs on April 15th

# Cost Sharing Reductions for OOP (out-of-pocket expenses)

Who is Eligible for Cost-Sharing Reductions?

- -People with income up to 250% FPL
- Must enroll in a silver plan through the Health Insurance Marketplace (also called the exchange)

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#### **Three Groups of Cost-Sharing Reductions (CSR)**

	CSR Plan for up to 150% FPL (up to \$17,235)	CSR Plan for 151%-200% FPL (\$17,236-\$22.980)	CSR Plan for 201-250% FPL (\$22,981-28,725)
Actuarial Value	94%	87%	73%
Deductible (Individual)	\$0	\$250	\$1,750
Maximum OOP	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$4,000
Inpatient Hospital	\$100/ admission	\$250/ admission	\$1,500/ admission
Office Visit	\$10	\$15	\$30

## When can you enroll in health insurance plans

- For 2014 October 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014
- For subsequent years, open enrollment:
  - October 15 to December 7 for the next year
- Mid-year enrollment
  - Only when your status changes increase or decrease in earnings, change of marital status, birth of child, death of household member, etc.
  - Suddenly realizing your stupidity to not get health insurance before the cancer, accident, stroke, etc., is NOT a status change

## The Ten Essential Benefits required by ACA

- 1. Emergency services
- 2. Hospitalizations
- 3. Laboratory services
- 4. Maternity Care
- 5. Mental health and substance abuse treatment

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- 6. Outpatient, ambulatory care
- 7. Pediatric care, including vision and dental
- 8. Prescription drugs
- 9. Preventive care
- 10. Rehabilitative and habilitative (helping maintain daily functioning) services
- Not included: Long Term Care and In Home Care, e.g. LTSS and HCBS; ACA is health insurance, not LTC or alternatives

## **Medicaid Expansion**

- Part of the original Act, but made optional by the U.S.
   Supreme Court
- Covers working poor under 138% of FPL no categories for Medicaid eligibility (child, disabled, elderly, pregnant mom)
- No asset test MAGI income only
- Federal share is 100% for 3 years, and next 3 years gradually drops to 90%

# A Key Issue for Medicaid Planners: Medicaid Expansion has no asset test – income MAGI only

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# A 50-state\* look at Medicaid expansion

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government will cover 90

percent of the costs of Medicaid expansion.

One of the most important provisions of Obamacare is the expansion of health coverage to low-income families through the Medicaid program. Here are basic facts on where states stand on Medicaid expansion, along with brief analysis of two states to watch.



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in 2014, 2015, and 2016.

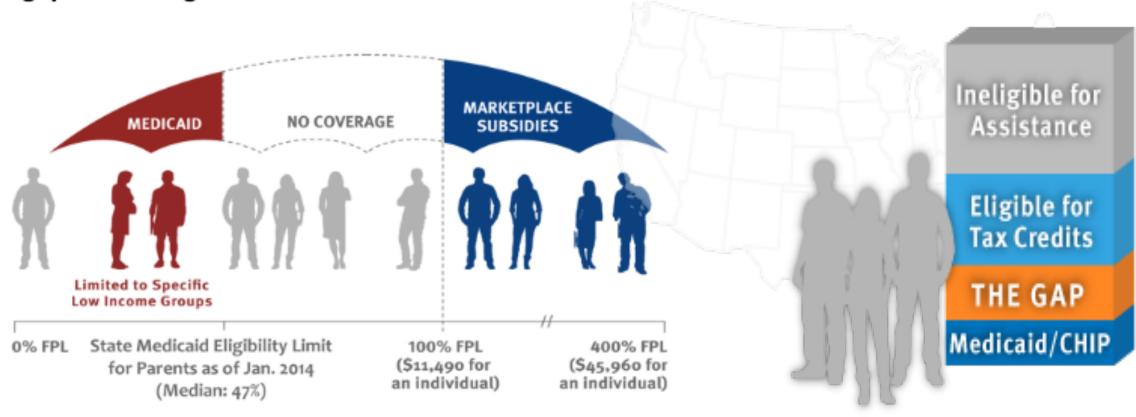
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### Why states are adopting Medicaid Expansion?

- 1. EMTALA requires hospitals to admit patients
- 2. Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) Grants are going away (- \$11.1 Billion)
- 3. Favorable Cost Share for State 90/10
- 4. Replaced (with insured Medicaid Expansion patients), and if not...?

Figure 1

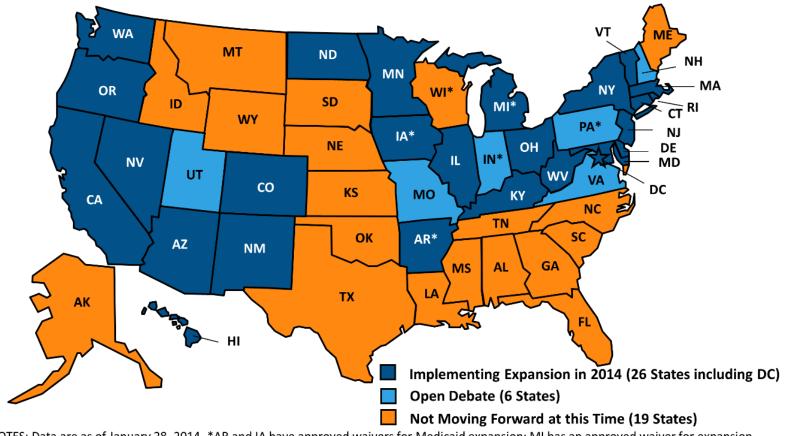
In states that do not expand Medicaid under the ACA, there will be a gap in coverage available for adults.



NOTE: Applies to states that do not expand Medicaid. In most states not moving forward with the expansion, adults without children are ineligible for Medicaid.



#### **Current Status of State Medicaid Expansion Decisions, 2014**



NOTES: Data are as of January 28, 2014. \*AR and IA have approved waivers for Medicaid expansion; MI has an approved waiver for expansion and plans to implement in Apr. 2014; IN and PA have pending waivers for alternative Medicaid expansions; WI amended its Medicaid state plan and existing waiver to cover adults up to 100% FPL, but did not adopt the expansion.

SOURCES: States implementing in 2014 and not moving forward at this time are based on data from CMS <a href="here">here</a> States noted as "Open Debate" are based on KCMU analysis of State of the State Addresses, recent public statements made by the Governor, issuance of waiver proposals or passage of a Medicaid expansion bill in at least one chamber of the legislature.



The last state to join the 1965 Medicaid program was Arizona, 17 years later, in 1982.

One of the first "red states" to join Medicaid Expansion...

Arizona

By the way, check your own health insurance policy because...

# David's Current Law Firm Policy

Group Number: A0119

Group Name: LILLESAND & ASSOCIATES PA

Anniversary Date: 06/01/2013

**Cost for Kristine** 

(Secretary) =

\$632.16/mo or

\$7,585.92/year

BlueOptions Predictable Cost Plan 90/50 - 5461 w/ \$10/\$30/\$50

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30-34	\$362.39	\$632.16	\$994.55	\$994.55	\$1016.82	\$1286.59	\$1648.98	\$1648.98
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55-59	\$1151.91	\$1106.95	\$2258.86	\$2258.86	\$1681.23	\$1636.27	\$2788.18	\$2788.18
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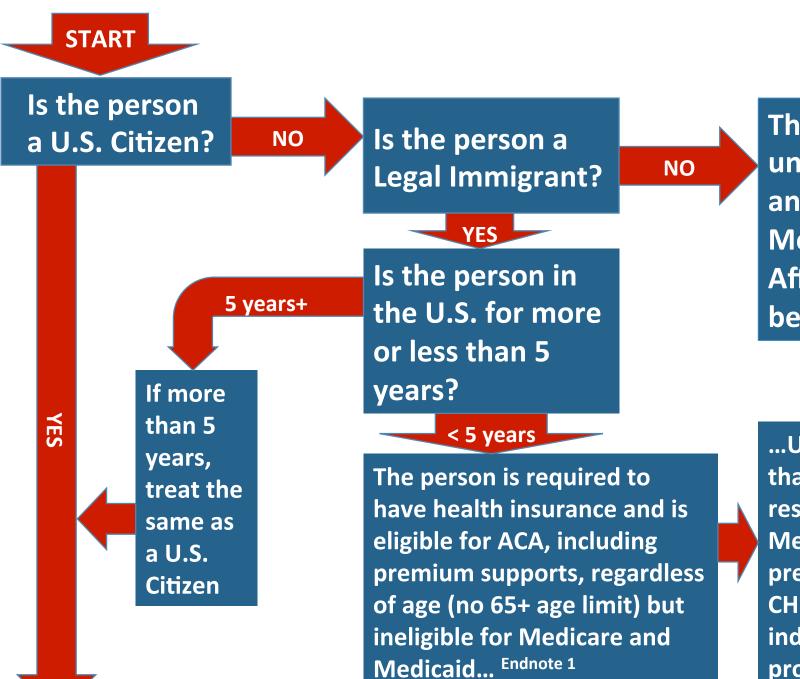
David's Personal Cost for himself and wife = \$35,264.28 per year

# Determining the Proper Plan under the Affordable Care Act

#### A Flowchart

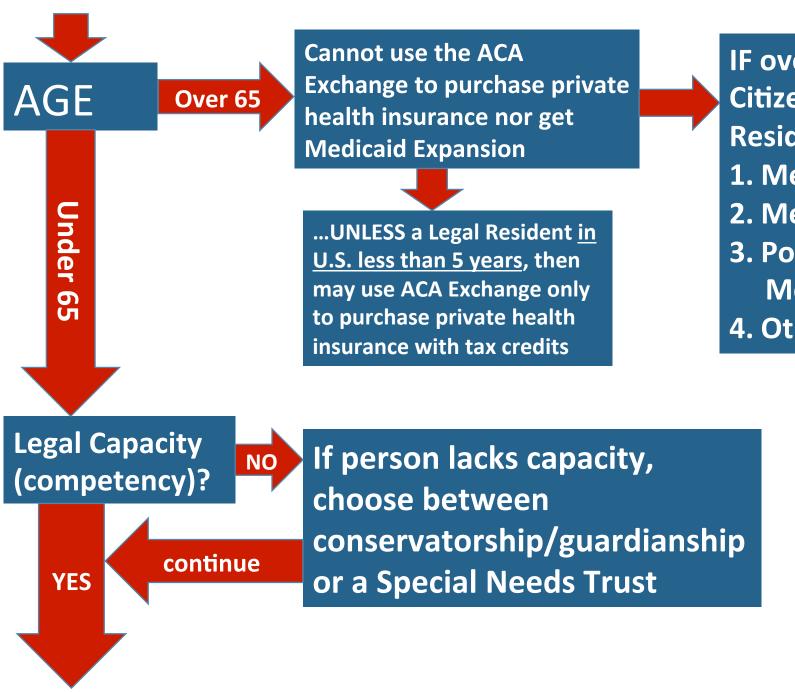
**Academy of Special Needs Planners** 

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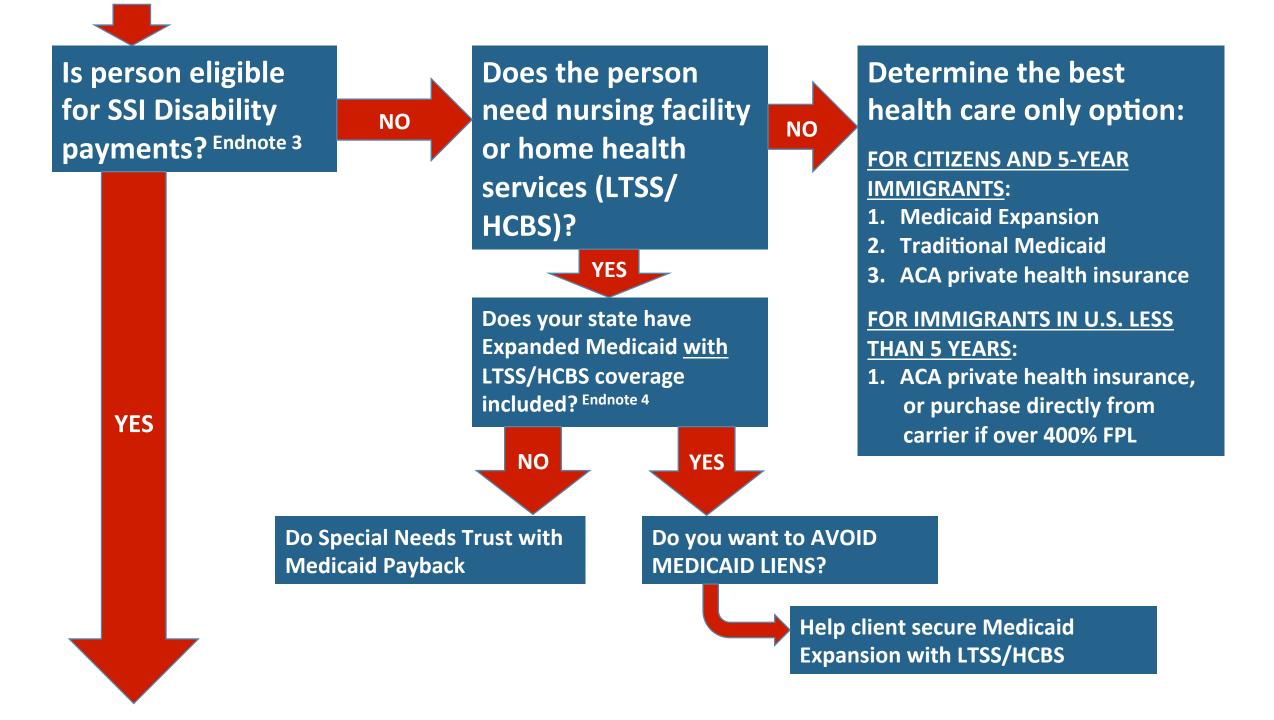
The person is an undocumented immigrant and is not eligible for Medicare, Medicaid, or Affordable Care Act benefits.

...UNLESS the state is one of 25 that waives the 5 year minimum residency rule for Medicare and Medicaid for children and /or for pregnant women, under 2009 CHIPRA, or the state has an independent state-funded program for immigrants. Endnote 2



IF over age 65, and either a U.S. Citizen or 5 year+ Legal Resident, consider:

- 1. Medicare
- 2. Medicaid
- 3. Pooled d4C SNT for Medicaid, but not for SSI
- 4. Other Elder Law Planning





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Determine the best health care only option:

**FOR CITIZENS AND 5-YEAR IMMIGRANTS:** 

- 1. Medicaid Expansion
- 2. Traditional Medicaid
- 3. ACA private health insurance

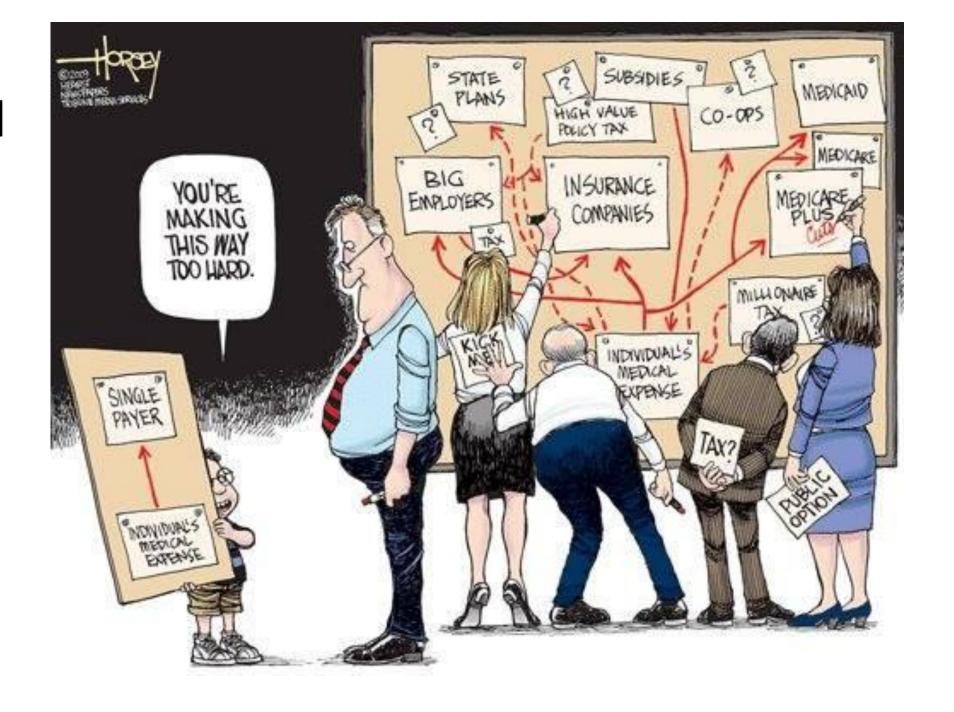
Keep SSI and do
Special Needs Trust
to preserve cash
flow from SSI
Disability payments

Want better healthcare?

Consider adding private health insurance by direct purchase

The End...?

Have you had enough yet?



#### TERMS:

"Expanded Medicaid" is the state-optional new ACA-created Medicaid health insurance for persons 18-64 with no asset test and MAGI income under 138% FPL, currently established in 25 states and the District of Columbia.

"Traditional Medicaid" refers to standard categorical Medicaid for children, pregnant women, persons with minors in care, elderly, and disabled under age 65 who are also financially eligible – low income and few countable assets.

"LTSS and HCBS" is Long Term Support Services (e.g., nursing home) and Home and Community-Based Services (sometimes called Medicaid Waiver programs)

"d4A" and "d4C" refers to an individual Special Needs Trust pursuant to 42 USC 1396p(d)(4)(A), or joinder to a Pooled Special Needs Trust pursuant to 42 USC 1396p(d)(4)(C).

### **Endnotes:**

- 1. See <a href="http://kaiserfamilyfoundation.files.wordpress.com/2013/03/8279-02.pdf">http://kaiserfamilyfoundation.files.wordpress.com/2013/03/8279-02.pdf</a>, pages 5-6, for a complete discussion.
- 2. See <a href="www.nilc.org/document.html?id=159">www.nilc.org/document.html?id=159</a> for a table of medical assistance programs for immigrants in various states, with a state-by-state list of "state policies for providing health coverage to additional groups of immigrants under federal options to cover lawfully residing children and pregnant women, regardless of their date of entry into the U.S., or to provide prenatal care to women regardless of status, using CHIP funds. It also describes immigrant coverage under programs using exclusively state funds."

- 3. Do not confuse "SSI-Disability" with "SSI-Elderly" or SSDI (Social Security Disability Insurance) payments from the Social Security Administration.
- 4. See CMS Letter to State Medicaid Directors by Cindy Mann, Director of CMS, regarding "Application of Liens, Adjustments and Recoveries, Transfer-of-Asset Rules and Post-Eligibility Income Rules to MAGI Individuals," SMDL #14-001, ACA #29, February 21, 2014.



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### **ACA Mandated Coverage**

Essential health insurance benefits must include items and services within at least the following 10 categories:

- ambulatory patient services
- emergency services
- hospitalization
- maternity and newborn care
- mental health and substance use disorder services, including behavioral health treatment
- prescription drugs
- rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices
- laboratory services
- preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management
- pediatric services, including oral and vision care

## **ACA Income Qualifications**

www.healthcare.gov

	Number of people in your household						
		1	2	3	4	5	6
Private Marketplace health plans	You may qualify for <b>lower premiums on a Marketplace insurance plan</b> if your yearly income is between  See next row if your income is at the lower end of this range.	\$11,490 - \$45,960	\$15,510 - \$62,040	\$19,530 - \$78,120	\$23,550 - \$94,200	\$27,570 - \$110,280	\$31,590 - \$126,360
	You may qualify for <b>lower premiums AND lower out-of-pocket costs for Marketplace insurance</b> if your yearly income is between	\$11,490 - \$28,725	\$15,510 - \$38,775	\$19,530 - \$48,825	\$23,550 - \$58,875	\$27,570 - \$68,925	\$31,590 - \$78,975
overage	If your state <b>is</b> expanding Medicaid in 2014: You may qualify for <b>Medicaid coverage</b> if your yearly income is below	\$16,105	\$21,707	\$27,310	\$32,913	\$38,516	\$44,119
Medicaid coverage	If your state <b>isn't</b> expanding Medicaid: <b>You may not qualify for any Marketplace savings programs</b> if your yearly income is below	\$11,490	\$15,510	\$19,530	\$23,550	\$27,570	\$31,590

## Coverage Comparisons Provider Networks

HMO

PPO

Medicaid(MediCal) Certified Provider Network

## Coverage Comparisons Authorization Requirements

- Physician prescription
- Formularies
- Prior Authorization
- The fine print

### Coverage Comparisons

Limits on type/model of durable medical equipment

Limits on professional visits

### **Essential Coverage Comparisons**

ACA Blue Cross Blue Shield Multi-State Silver Plan

Supply/Service Type	Insurance Coverage	Medicaid Coverage		
Incontinence Supplies	No	Yes*		
Custodial Care	No	Yes*		
Therapy (PT & OT)	30* combined visits annually	Unlimited *		
Speech Therapy	30* visits annually	Unlimited*		
Prescriptions	Copays*	100%*		
Lab Tests	80%	100%		
Skilled Nursing Facility	80%	100%		
Home Health Care	80%	100%		
Orthotic Devices	50%	100%		
Durable Medical Equipment	50%	100%*		
Mental Health (Inpt/outpt)	80%*	100%*		
Autism- ABA	80%	100%		

## The Single Most Important Factor in the Analysis.....

## Does the client require significant custodial care presently or in the future?

- Private pay value of 24/7 custodial care(aide)- \$131,400 to \$175,200 annually
- Private pay value for a SHARED room at a nursing facility Minimum of \$72,000 annually

### Other Important Considerations

- Primary caregiver/family household member essential benefits based on household income
- Value of other income/asset restricted essential benefits –
  transportation, developmental disability service programs (workshop/dayhab), utility subsidies, housing etc.
- Income stream for copays and deductibles quantifying the real life costs

### Financial Effect of Loss of SSI

Orange County Trial Lawyer's Association Article (In Materials)

### Affordable Care Act's Financial Effect on Settlement Planning

By Scott MacDonald

"The ACA provides a dramatic improvement in healthcare options for plaintiffs with disabilities. Nonetheless, it would be irresponsible to assume that special needs settlement planning and SNTs should be eliminated simply because health care options have multiplied"



### **ACA Effect on California SNTs**

SETTLEMENT NET ASSET LEVEL =>	\$100,000	\$396,400	\$500,000	\$1,000,000	\$2,868,600
	Net Spendable Income Annual Amount [u]				
SNT Only [v]	\$12,610	\$23,751	\$22,208	\$33,484	\$67,500
No SNT, Buy ACA Insurance [w]	EM	EM	\$11,196	\$15,794	\$67,504
SNT with ACA Supplemental [w]	ЕМ	ЕМ	\$17,700	\$20,684	\$53,766
No SNT, Expanded Medi-Cal	\$3,614	\$14,291	NQ	NQ	NQ
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Income Percent of Federal Poverty Limit [x]	34.80%	138% <b>[y]</b>	174.06%	348.13%	600.70%
Average Annual ACA Premium (Net of Subsidy) [z]	\$0	\$0	\$4,508	\$12,800	\$15,552
Average Monthly ACA Premium (Net of Subsidy)	\$0	\$0	\$376	\$1,067	\$1,296

#### <u>Footnotes</u>

**EM** = Qualifies for the Expanded MediCal Program

**NQ** = Not Qualified for Expanded Medi-Cal Program

- u -- After-tax spendable income, net of premium or SNT expenses, assuming 2.5% COLA through actuarial life expectancy of the beneficiary
- v -- Net Spendable Income for SNT options has been reduced by \$3,000 expense to establish the SNT and 1% annual administrative expenses. Assumes \$856 monthly SSI income received with 2.5% annual COLA.
- w -- Net Spendable Income for ACA options has been reduced by average annual premium and maximum annual out of pocket expenses for the respective income level (based on percent of FPL)
- x -- Assumes 4% annual taxable income based on the settlement net asset level
- y -- Maximum annual income level to qualify for the Expanded Medi-Cal Program is 133% of the Federal Poverty Limit plus 5% any income disregard = \$15,856 for 2013
- z -- Average of highest premium rate for that income level across the 19 California regions. Amount shown is beneficiary's cost after federal ACA subsidy, if any.

### **ACA Effect on National SNTs**

SETTLEMENT NET ASSET LEVEL =>	\$100,000	\$437,500	\$750,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,062,000
	Net Spendable Income Annual Amount [u]				
SNT Only [v]	\$11,001	\$19,396	\$26,977	\$32,972	\$34,450
No SNT, Buy ACA Insurance [w]	\$1,512	\$12,998	\$21,130	\$27,493	\$34,454
SNT with ACA Supplemental [w]	N/A	\$18,676	\$24,457	\$29,168	\$30,082
SNT with Reduced SSI due to ISM	N/A	\$14,672	\$21,282	\$26,285	\$25,610
Income Percent of Federal Poverty Limit [x]	34.81%	152.31%	261.10%	348.13%	
Subsidized Annual Premium [z]	\$0	\$720	\$2,520	\$3,804	\$4,368

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  Assumes \$856 monthly SSI income received with 2.5% annual COLA.
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- x -- Assumes 4% annual taxable income based on the settlement net asset level
- z -- Premium rate for that income level based on the Federal guidelines. Amount shown is beneficiary's cost after federal ACA subsidy, if any.

## Questions???



