



June 11, 2013

Dear Speaker Andy Tobin and Representatives,

As members of the Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce's Small Business Leadership Council (SBLC), we are writing to request your support for the Governor's plan to restore Medicaid.

We support Governor Brewer's Medicaid plan to reduce the problem of uncompensated health care in Arizona, which diminishes public health and drives up private health care insurance premiums.

Arizona, through the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS), sets the standard as one of the Nation's most efficient and effective Medicaid plans. Restoring AHCCCS coverage will reduce health care costs across the State by providing working poor Arizonans with preventive health services.

The Governor's Medicaid Plan restores coverage for thousands of low-income childless adults. Coverage for these individuals has been approved by Arizona voters twice since 1996. AHCCCS restoration will reduce the "cost shift" to commercial health insurance patients and private pay patients that results from the costs hospitals incur serving the under- and uninsured, as required by federal law. Governor Brewer's proposal promotes a more efficient use of our health care delivery system as opposed to unnecessary utilization of hospital emergency departments. Her plan also helps small businesses remain competitive with other states.

As leaders of successful small businesses, we are impacted by increased health care costs through the benefits we provide to our employees. Governor Jan Brewer's Medicaid Plan is a strengthening and stabilizing component for small, growing businesses that are working to attract employees and thrive in today's competitive economy.

Please support the Governor's Medicaid Plan and stand up for small business owners and their employees.

Respectfully,



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