

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
POLICY

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POLICY STATEMENT

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) established a new minimum Medicaid eligibility level of 138 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL) for adults not previously eligible for the program. Effective July 1, 2023, after the passage of a statewide referendum, South Dakota Medicaid covers children 0-19 up to 209 percent FPL, adults 19 to 64 up to 138 percent FPL, the elderly, and disabled persons who receive social security benefits.

We believe in a health care system that provides the greatest possible access to basic quality health care that is affordable for all South Dakota citizens. The SDSMA supports the expanded eligibility for Medicaid in South Dakota to include uninsured individuals up to 138 percent FPL and will oppose efforts seeking its repeal.

AUTHORITY

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