

## **PICO Health Care Survey**

**Do you have children under the age of 26 who you would like to be able to maintain on your health insurance coverage?** (Please circle your answer): Yes or No

*If yes, the new health law requires that insurance companies allow you to keep your child on your coverage, regardless of if they are in school or married.*

**Do you have a child with a “pre-existing condition” (a physical or mental health disability or illness such as obesity or asthma) who you have not been able to insure?**

(Please circle your answer): Yes or No

*If yes, the new health law makes it illegal for insurance companies to deny your child coverage.*

**Do you have a chronic health condition (such as high blood pressure, heart disease, or diabetes) or are you suffering from a catastrophic illness (such as cancer or stroke)?**

(Please circle your answer): Yes or No

*If yes, the new health law makes it illegal for insurance companies to have a “limit” on how much they are willing to cover for your care.*

**Have you or someone in your family gotten sick, and had your insurance company drop your health coverage?** (Please circle your answer): Yes or No

*If yes, the new health law makes it illegal for insurance companies to discontinue your policy when you need it most.*

**Do you ever avoid going to the doctor for routine medical exams because you can't afford the co-pay?**

(Please circle your answer): Yes or No

*If yes, the new health law makes insurance companies cover preventative services and screenings free of charge to you.*

**Have you tried to see a doctor, but been told the wait time is over a month?**

(Please circle your answer): Yes or No

*If yes, the new health law is investing millions of dollars to train more primary care doctors and nurses so people don't have to wait when they're sick.*

**Are you concerned about the rising cost of health insurance?** (Please circle your answer): Yes or No

*If yes, the new health law requires insurance companies to spend at least 80% of your premiums on covering your health, nothing else.*

**Are you without health insurance for yourself and or your family because your job doesn't provide coverage, and you cannot afford to buy insurance out-of-pocket?** (Please circle your answer): Yes or No

*If yes, the new health law will create state exchanges that will allow you to buy insurance at a discounted group rate and obtain subsidies based on your income. If your gross income is below \$24,352 for a family of three you would qualify for the Medicaid program.*

**Have you gone to the emergency room without health insurance and are now facing medical debts or even bankruptcy as a result?** (Please circle your answer): Yes or No

*If yes, the new health law requires non-profit hospitals to charge people without insurance at the same rates as patients with Medicare, and makes it illegal for hospitals to put a lien on your home or pursue aggressive debt collection without seeing if you qualify for financial assistance.*

**Do you rely on health centers or emergency rooms because you are unable to obtain health insurance, even under the new law?** (Please circle your answer): Yes or No

*If yes, the new health law is investing \$10 billion dollars to expand community health centers in areas that need them most. These centers offer primary care, dental care, and behavioral and health services regardless of your ability to pay or immigration status.*

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**Are you willing to share your story? If so, please feel free to share your health care story below.**

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Email:</b>	<b>Zip:</b>
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