



3 Ways to Cover a Gap

Can Gov. Gary Herbert and the Utah Legislature work out a reasonable solution to fix Utah's Medicaid coverage gap?


We don't bet. But if we did, [we'd lean towards yes.](#)

As this week winds down, the Governor and the House leadership--[each with rival proposals](#) and vastly different funding philosophies--seem further apart than ever. Ironically, a solution for Utah's coverage gap might be near. That's because after months (actually, years) of backroom maneuvering, all of the game pieces are on the table and in plain view. As legislators evaluate the competing plans by simple metrics like cost, coverage, and quality, we think clear [winners and losers](#) will emerge.

Here's [what happened this week](#)—and how it all [might end by March 13th.](#)

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2014 Utah Legislative Session

Starts: Jan. 27, 2014

Ends: March 13, 2014

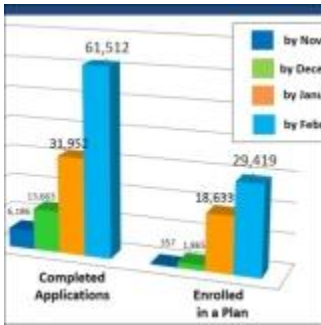
Legislative [calendar](#)

UHPP's [Legislative roster](#)

Health Care Roundtable

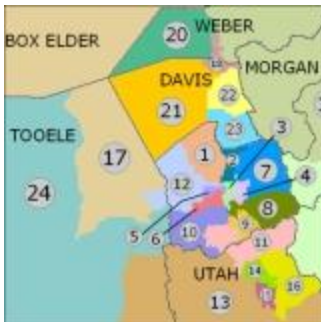
>>A weekly gathering of Utah's health policy experts with invited Guest speakers
Meetings: Every Wednesday at 1:10pm

Location: Utah State Capitol -



Utah Enrollment Update

Last month Utah [beat its ACA sign-up goal](#) for the first time--and by 26%
Get the latest numbers [\(pdf\)](#)



Gap Locator

Do all [60,000 people](#) in Utah's Coverage Gap live in Salt Lake County?
Not quite, as this [new data](#) shows [\(pdf\)](#)

Speaker Lockhart's Proposal

Type: Defined Contribution

Model: Employer Insurance (UPP) / FSA (#

Covers the Gap: Yes No

Utahns covered: Medically-frail; parents

Covered: Unknown (likely 20k-30k)

Uncovered: Unknown (likely 30k-40k)

Cost to state (2015): \$35 million (estimate)

Federal Wavier required: Yes No

What's in a Plan?

Download this [one-pager](#) that compares [Speaker Lockhart's](#) coverage plan with Utah's [Private Option solutions](#) [\(pdf\)](#)



Almost There!

Struggling to finish your [healthcare.gov](#) application before March 31?
Trained experts at [Take Care Utah](#) and [United Way 2-1-1](#) are standing by to assist you

Senate Office Bldg. - Olmsted Room ([map](#))
Time: 1:15pm – 2:15pm
Contact: RyLee Curtis, rylee-at-healthpolicyproject.org
Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 26, 2014: Invited
Speaker: TBD

Bill Watcher

[HB 141](#) – Health Reform Amendments
Rep. Dunnigan
Status: House Rules Committee
-create two types of navigator license (Navigators and CACs);
-establish different training for the types of licenses;

[Unknown Bill Number](#) – Utah Premium Partnership Program
Rep. Sanpei
Status: In Process
-Vehicle for Speaker Lockhart's UPP/PCN coverage proposal

[Unknown Bill Number](#) – Utah's Medicaid Expansion Program
Rep. Anderegg
Status: In Process
-Unknown

Enrollment Events

See the full calendar at [Take](#)



Focus on Addiction

Only [16%](#) of Utahans with substance abuse disorders [receive treatment](#). UHPP is working to address this challenge

Read how [here](#)



Share your Coverage Story

Whether you made it--or are still stuck--[share your enrollment story](#) with UHPP

Learn how [here](#)

[Care Utah](#)

Upcoming Health Reform 101 Presentations

To schedule a presentation, email Jason Stevenson at stevenson-at-healthpolicyproject.org, or call 801-433-2299, x7

Thursday, February 20, 2014

Organization: Outreach Event at BYU

Time: 11am-12:30pm

Location: BYU Campus - Provo, Utah

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