

Health Matters

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Healthy Utah in 2018

Three years after the Healthy Utah Plan became a reality---we look back at how it worked

It's [October 2018](#) and the Utah Health Policy Project (UHPP) is [going back in time](#).

In 2018 the Utah Jazz are ready to defend their second-straight NBA title, [President Schwarzenegger](#) is installing a 1,500 sq. ft. weight room in the White House, and we're reviewing how Utah's healthcare landscape has changed in the three years since the Healthy Utah Plan took effect.

Don't worry. It's still 2014 where you are. But UHPP [has been to the year](#) 2018, and here's what we learned.

Where We Started

Before Healthy Utah our state's insurance landscape contained many pitfalls for low-income, working families. A family could earn just below the federal poverty level (\$19,790 for a family of three) and the parents wouldn't qualify for either Medicaid or subsidized private insurance. Plus, many families at this income level [can't receive or afford insurance](#) from their workplace. Any childless adult earning under \$11,500 faced a similar dead-end. These pitfalls weren't Utah's fault, but the result of the Supreme Court's 2012 changes to the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Almost 50,000 Utahns were [stuck in this coverage gap](#). These Utahns worked. They paid taxes. But they couldn't afford health insurance.

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>>Thursday, October 23, 2014

Health Reform Task Force
Location: Utah State Capitol;
Room #30 House Building
([map](#))

Time: 9am-12pm

Agenda ([html](#))

Agenda highlights:

We expect an important update about the Healthy Utah negotiations with HHS, concurrent with Gov.

Herbert's monthly [KUED news conference](#).

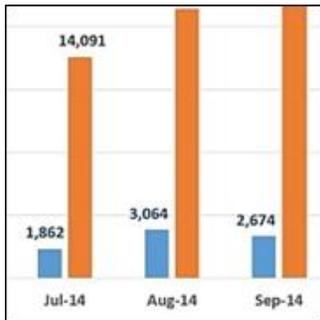
Health Care Roundtable

>>A bi-weekly (1st and 3rd Wednesdays) gathering of advocates, stakeholders, and others interested in health policy and legislation in Utah,

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especially Medicaid Expansion

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PCN Enrollment Update

After [adding 10,000 recipients](#) in four months, PCN is [now closed](#) to childless adults

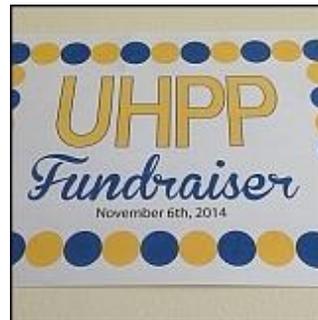
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UHPP Honored for Outreach

[Utah Business](#) magazine selects UHPP as one of their [2014 Healthcare Heroes](#)

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It's Time to Party

Join us for [UHPP's Fall Fundraiser](#) on Thursday night, November 6!

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Is the ACA Working?

Reserve [your spot](#) at [UHPP's Policy Conference: "Taking the Pulse on Health Reform in Utah"](#)

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Dear Navigator?

Will the healthcare.gov website [work better this year?](#)

Sincerely,
Glitched Out

Read her answer [here](#)



Confused About Health Reform?

Open enrollment begins November 15. Arrange a ["Health Reform 101"](#) presentation to get up to speed

Find out more [here](#)



Auto-Renewal Made Simple

If you [purchased insurance](#) from healthcare.gov, follow [these steps](#) now

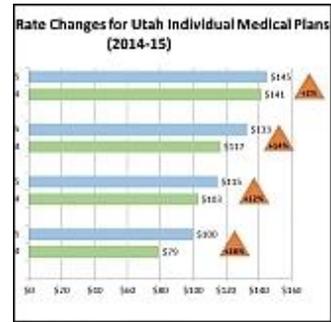
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We Make Health Insurance Easy

Team [Take Care Utah](#) is [ready](#) for next month's open enrollment blitz. Are you?

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More details about [Utah's 2015 health insurance rates](#) are becoming [clear](#)

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