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Expanding Medicaid will Lower your Premiums

Fitchburg – Today, Health Affairs a health care public policy journal published an <u>article</u> highlighting the benefits of expanding Medicaid in Wisconsin. Specifically the article suggests "Medicaid expansion would improve the risk pool and lower premiums in the private health insurance Marketplace." In response Rep. Anderson released the following statement:

"Another day, another study highlighting the health care failures of Wisconsin Republicans. Not only would expanding Medicaid cover an additional 82,000 Wisconsinites, provide desperately needed maternal and infant care, and save the state of Wisconsin \$324 Million, but private insurance premiums are lowered in states that expanded Medicaid and Wisconsin would be a prime beneficiary."

"Republicans decry Medicaid Expansion as welfare, but expanding Medicaid will lower premiums for private insurance. Does that sound like welfare to you?"

