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PAFP Applauds Gov. Corbett's Medicaid Plan

(HARRISBURG, PA., Dec. 6, 2013) The Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians (PAFP) applauds Gov. Tom Corbett's plan to modernize Medicaid and extend coverage to more than half a million uninsured Pennsylvanians.

The Corbett administration's proposed Healthy Pennsylvania Medicaid modernization plan includes several innovations significant to Pennsylvania's family physicians and patient population, including increased access to coverage and incentivizing healthy lifestyles and preventive care. These items in particular are vital in containing costs and improving patient outcomes.

As the PAFP noted in its 2013 report [Access to Care in Pennsylvania](#), the Commonwealth's family physicians provide high quality care to millions of Pennsylvanians and have the capacity to treat more patients who may newly acquire health insurance through this proposal. Pennsylvania's family physicians also look forward to working with a team of other highly skilled health care providers in the setting of a physician-led patient-centered medical home.

The Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians is excited to collaborate with the Corbett administration on the Healthy Pennsylvania Medicaid modernization plan and anticipates a productive process of public hearings and comments.

The Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians and its Foundation supports its members (including nearly 80 percent of Pennsylvania family physicians) through advocacy and education to ensure a patient-centered medical home for every Pennsylvanian. The Academy and its Foundation are the leading influential resource among family physicians and physicians in training in Pennsylvania; the primary voice on health care issues with state legislative and administrative branches of government, media and professional health organizations; and the leader on health care issues in the community.

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