



Georgia STAND-UP Alliance Meeting  
March 21<sup>st</sup>  
12pm -2:30pm

*Topic: Affordable Healthcare*

Organizations represented:

Brass Tactics  
SEEDCO/Quality Medical Center  
Humana  
Connecting Georgians to Coverage

Linda Perrin gave a presentation on Obamacare and did an informal Q&A with attendees. A few notes:

Come to the marketplace if:

- Your workplace doesn't offer insurance
- Insurance that is offered costs more than 9.5% of your income

Important Points:

- To get a tax credit, you must file taxes
- PeachState supplies insurance through the marketplace and works with Medicaid to make sure children are covered
- The unemployed and disabled are eligible, they will receive a Form of Eligibility referring them to specific agencies
- Kaiser, Blue Cross, and Humana are the major providers and you can call them to check specifics of the plans they offer before enrolling
- PeachState and Allianz are secondary providers
- They are four tiers of coverage: Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum
- If you under 30, be sure to ask about Plan Catastrophic
- A healthcare plan must cover the 10 essential health benefits: ambulatory patient services; emergency services; hospitalization; maternity and newborn care; mental health and substance use disorder services, including behavioral health treatment; prescription drugs; rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices; laboratory services; preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management; and pediatric services, including oral and vision care.
- For an individual not working and not filing taxes, you are exempt from the penalty. However, you must either fill out the exemption form which is about 25-30 pages or you can go to the Marketplace online and they will determine your eligibility.
- SB990 puts healthcare expansion in the hands of the governor and the legislation.



**ACTION PLAN IDEAS: (some, not a complete list of ideas given by attendees)**

- Flood legislative offices with post cards
- Take roadtrips to rural places where most of the legislators live
- Go to the Governors Mansion on W. Paces Ferry and make him uncomfortable, bring the children
- Contact governor's donors and apply pressure to them
- VOTE EARLY
- Boycott business that support certain candidates (vote with your wallet)

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