

I am a person who has had to file a bankruptcy due to medical issues beyond my help or influence in a state that had no kind of insurance for individuals working at all. My 40 hours a week was not enough to pay out of pocket, and too much to qualify for any help.

When moving to Jackson County, Oregon, I was able to get much needed healthcare for the first time in my adult life. Being able to address my health issues allowed me to become stable enough for a much better job to support my family.

I then moved to Josephine County for my job, and even though I was still covered under OHP but Allcare doesn't support the same mental health treatment that JCC did. My health has suffered and I have once again lost my job.

If I could write this in support of a federal medical coverage for all I would do the same thing. My life has been stunted unfathomably from lack of medical coverage. I was no making irresponsible choices to not have coverage, I simply didn't make enough.

We know that single payer healthcare is less expensive for tax payers, we know that we have better health outcomes when people don't have to choose between groceries and healthcare. I have personally lived all sides of this equation and healthcare for all IS **UNEQUIVOCALLY** the ethically, financially, and logically correct choice to make as we move forward as a state that values all of its citizens. I urge you to vote in support of this bill.