How to Get Involved in the Fight for Health Care for All Maine People

There are many ways to help make sure Medicaid Expansion is fully funded and implemented. It’s important that people who are eligible know how to apply and have help to navigate the system. That’s a critical first step. We also need all hands on deck to make sure the Medicaid program is protected and health care is expanded not cut. Here are some ways you and those you help enroll can get involved.

I Pledge to Volunteer for Health Care Pledge!

❑ I want to share my health care story! Has MaineCare made a difference in your life? What does it mean to go without the health care you need? Have you faced discrimination in the health care system? Your story is a powerful tool for change! Share your story as part of our Together for Medicaid Story Project so that decision makers understand why health care matters so much in our communities. See others’ stories at: http://mejp.org/content/story-bank-mainers-standing-together-medicaid

❑ I can write a letter to the local newspaper about health care. We can help you write a letter to the editor! Share your views and values about health care. Educate the public, policymakers, and candidates about what’s at stake. Medicaid Expansion is the law but the fight for health care isn’t going away. We need to write often and keep people with us for the long haul.

❑ Get involved in our Health Care Civic Engagement project this fall! Contact local candidates and share why health care matters to you. Ask them their position on funding for Medicaid Expansion going forward and their plans to make it happen. What will they do to work for health care for all communities, especially those most marginalized in the current system?

❑ I want to help people apply and navigate the system now that I know how to do it! Join your regional health care enrollment team! Local residents are the best at knowing how to get the word out in their community. Bring information about Medicaid Expansion to emergency rooms, clinics, agencies and events in your town. Help us connect with people in your community about Medicaid Expansion enrollment and engagement.

❑ I can spread the word online! Help us share enrollment information in your Social Media networks.

Return a printed form by mail to Kate Brennan, Maine Equal Justice, 126 Sewall St. Augusta, ME 04330. Scan and email to kbrennan@mejp.org.

Want to get involved but not sure how?

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