

# North Dakota Legislative Health Care Task Force

## Subcommittee on Understanding Health Care Spending

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*July 31, 2024*

# Recap of the Last Meeting

- Subcommittee members reviewed options for collecting and analyzing data to monitor state health care spending on an ongoing basis.
  - The group did not express interest in pursuing ongoing data collection and analysis on state health care spending.
    - **Confirm that state does not want to consider data elements (regardless of how may be collected)**
  - Instead, some members suggested developing a template for legislative funding requests to better facilitate the evaluation of such requests.
- The Subcommittee also reviewed and discussed a draft fact sheet on Medicaid Expansion.
  - Participants agreed on the usefulness of such a resource, especially with term limits being instituted and the need to educate new legislators.
  - Some members suggested adding information to the fact sheet, including the types of conditions typically treated for the Medicaid Expansion population, and history of the program's impact on access and outcomes.

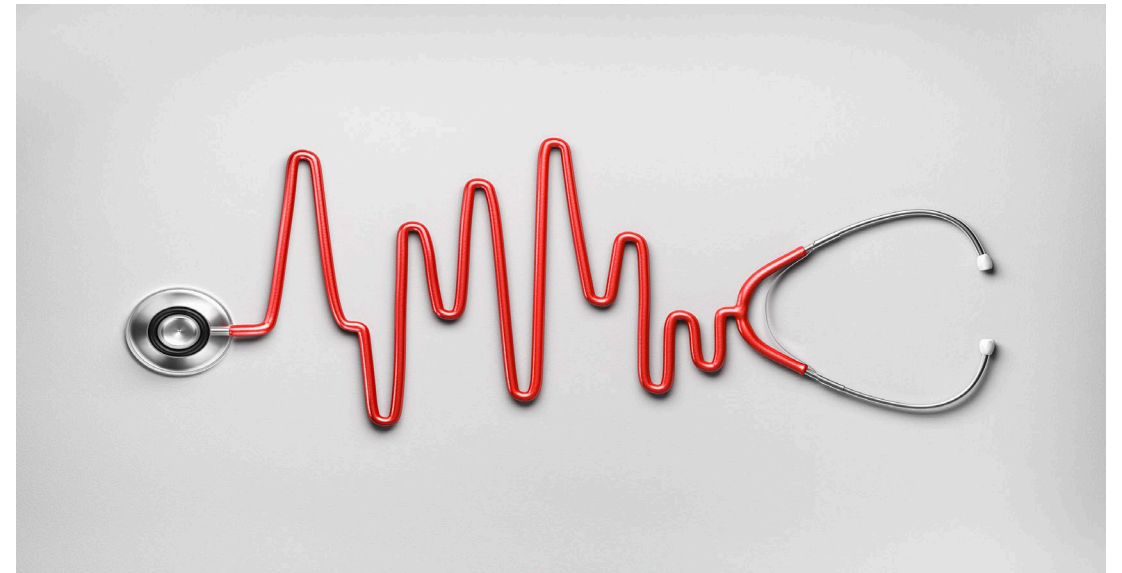
# REVIEW OF REVISED MEDICAID EXPANSION FACT SHEET

# Information Included in Draft Fact Sheet

- **Description of Medicaid Expansion:**
  - Medicaid Expansion coverage, including who is eligible and information on those covered, including demographics and diagnoses
  - how it is funded
  - how benefits are provided
  - how payment works
  - impact on quality and utilization
  - changes in uncompensated care
- **Description of Hospital Payments:**
  - Base payments
  - Supplemental payments

# Feedback on Medicaid Expansion Fact Sheet

- What other information would help legislators better understand Medicaid Expansion?
- What specific feedback do subcommittee members have on the latest draft?



# TEMPLATE FOR LEGISLATIVE FUNDING REQUESTS

# Types of Funding Requests and Process

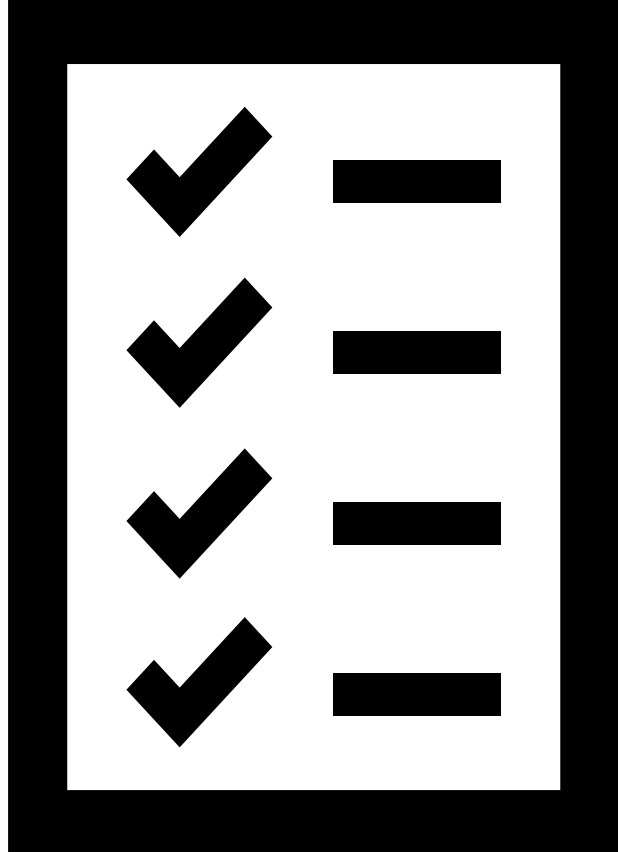
- What types of health care related funding requests are currently brought to the legislature?
  - Requests to fund a specific program or activity?
  - Requests for an increase in payment rates?
  - Requests to build a facility?
- Who can make these funding requests?
- How often does the legislature receive these funding requests?
- How are these funding requests currently handled?

# Potential Elements of a Funding Request Template

- **Project initiative and description**
  - Objectives
  - Scope
  - Target audience/beneficiaries
  - Timeline
- **Rationale for funding request**
  - Description of the problem and how the initiative addresses the issue
  - Evidence of the problem and effectiveness of the proposed initiative in addressing the problem
  - Potential consequences of not addressing the problem
- **Funding request details and justification**
  - Amount requested
  - Financial analysis to support the request, including cost-effectiveness analysis



# Next Steps



- Finalize recommendations to full Task Force for meeting on September 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Data collection needs
  - Legislative template
  - Medicaid Expansion Fact Sheet