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Subject: Today's stories

- 1) **SCDHHS Director Tony Keck to testify before Senate Finance subcommittee today at 1 p.m.**
<http://www.scstatehouse.gov/agendas/agns1019.pdf>
- 2) **“Under Gov. Nikki Haley, South Carolina decided the state will not expand Medicaid eligibility under the Affordable Care Act, but the low-income health insurance program is growing here anyway — even faster than in many states that are expanding Medicaid eligibility rules.”**
<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20131203/PC16/131209797/1006/medicaid-numbers-growing-in-state-rise-seen-despite-no-change-in-eligibility>
- 3) **“The federal government said Tuesday that states that opted to expand Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act saw applications for Medicaid coverage jump by 13.2 in October. In states that did not expand Medicaid, like South Carolina, applications rose by 4.2 percent, on average. But, in South Carolina, Medicaid applications increased by 20 percent.”**
<http://www.thestate.com/2013/12/03/3137200/sc-medicaid-program-growing-despite.html#>
- 4) **New Greenville Health System lab to seek ways to enhance cancer recovery**
<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/proart/20131122/news05/311220013/new-ghs-lab-seek-ways-enhance-cancer-recovery?pagerestricted=1>
- 5) **States Divided on Letting Insurers Extend Old Health Plans**
http://online.wsj.com/news/articles/SB10001424052702304579404579236411837245366?mod=rss_US_News
- 6) **IRS vulnerable to fraud with Obamacare health subsidies, audit says**
<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/federal-eye/wp/2013/12/04/irs-vulnerable-to-fraud-with-obamacare-health-subsidies-audit-says/>
- 7) **“Wisconsin lawmakers on Wednesday are expected to consider delaying by three months a plan to shift thousands of people from a state Medicaid program onto the federal health insurance marketplace that has been plagued by technical problems.”**
<http://wtaq.com/news/articles/2013/dec/04/wisconsin-lawmakers-consider-delay-in-state-medicaid-changes/>
- 8) **Health-care law’s critics see court case over subsidies as their last shot**
http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/health-care-laws-critics-see-court-case-over-subsidies-as-their-last-shot/2013/12/03/aa64ffba-5c6d-11e3-be07-006c776266ed_story.html
- 9) **“Republicans without health insurance are just as likely to pay the fine imposed by the federal health-care law as they are to obtain coverage to avoid the penalty, a new Gallup poll released Tuesday shows.”**
<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/the-fix/wp/2013/12/04/uninsured-republicans-as-likely-to-pay-fine-as-obtain-coverage/>
- 10) **New Obamacare weapon for GOP: Doctors**
<http://www.politico.com/story/2013/12/doctors-the-new-gop-weapon-in-obamacare-fight-100617.html>
- 11) **Some face marriage penalty in Obamacare subsidies**
http://articles.philly.com/2013-12-02/news/44622762_1_subsidy-joel-ario-aca
- 12) **Op-Ed: Bad Eating Habits Start in the Womb**
http://www.nytimes.com/2013/12/02/opinion/bad-eating-habits-start-in-the-womb.html?_r=0

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