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**Subject:** today's stories

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- 1) **Newly Insured Americans Don't Understand Basic Healthcare Terms**  
<http://www.theatlantic.com/health/archive/2014/01/newly-insured-americans-don-t-understand-basic-healthcare-terms/282914/>
- 2) **Moody's downgrades health insurers, citing Obamacare**  
<http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2014/jan/23/moodys-downgrades-health-insurers-citing-obamacare/>
- 3) **Forget Obamacare, Here's 4 Healthcare Trends You Should Be Excited About**  
<http://www.forbes.com/sites/robertszcerba/2014/01/23/forget-obamacare-heres-4-healthcare-trends-you-should-be-excited-about/>
- 4) **Little-known aspect of Medicaid now causing people to avoid coverage**  
[http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/little-known-aspect-of-medicaid-now-causing-people-to-avoid-coverage/2014/01/23/deda52e2-794e-11e3-8963-b4b654bcc9b2\\_story.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/little-known-aspect-of-medicaid-now-causing-people-to-avoid-coverage/2014/01/23/deda52e2-794e-11e3-8963-b4b654bcc9b2_story.html)
- 5) **Philadelphia-Area Blues Struggle To Match Customer Service To Demand**  
<http://www.kaiserhealthnews.org/Stories/2014/January/24/Philly-faces-enrollment-issues.aspx>
- 6) **"A federal district judge declared Thursday that the State of Missouri was illegally obstructing the activities of insurance counselors appointed by the federal government to inform consumers of their options under the Affordable Care Act."**  
<http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2014/jan/23/moodys-downgrades-health-insurers-citing-obamacare/>
- 7) **Opinion: "There is a role for government in helping people with severe health problems. That is why risk pools exist. What we didn't need was to destroy the market for the many in order to give aid to the few."**  
<http://online.wsj.com/news/articles/SB10001424052702304367204579268783824991054>
- 8) **Drug Makers Tiptoe Back Into Antibiotic R&D**  
<http://online.wsj.com/news/articles/SB10001424052702303465004579322601579895822>
- 9) **2- to 4-year-olds are most frequent users of educational media, study finds**  
[http://www.washingtonpost.com/business/technology/2-to-4-year-olds-are-most-frequent-users-of-educational-media-study-finds/2014/01/23/9eca108c-8481-11e3-9dd4-e7278db80d86\\_story.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/business/technology/2-to-4-year-olds-are-most-frequent-users-of-educational-media-study-finds/2014/01/23/9eca108c-8481-11e3-9dd4-e7278db80d86_story.html)
- 10) **Teaching Doctors the Art of Negotiation**  
<http://mobile.nytimes.com/blogs/well/2014/01/23/teaching-doctors-the-art-of-negotiation/?tsrc=apple&first=1&p=teaching%20doctors%20the%20art%20if%20negotiatiiin&pintl=en&pcarrier=Verizon&pmcc=310&pmnc=038&fr=onsearch>
- 11) **Sunshine May Benefit Blood Pressure**  
[http://well.blogs.nytimes.com/2014/01/23/sunshine-may-benefit-blood-pressure/?\\_php=true&\\_type=blogs&\\_r=0](http://well.blogs.nytimes.com/2014/01/23/sunshine-may-benefit-blood-pressure/?_php=true&_type=blogs&_r=0)

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A new website can help you identify Medicaid health service trends for your community and access maps and reports on Medicaid in South Carolina. Check out SC HealthViz at [www.schealthviz.sc.edu](http://www.schealthviz.sc.edu) to learn more about health in your community.

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