

Emergency Care for the Uninsured

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3 **WHEREAS** doctors and hospitals are legally obliged to provide care for uninsured
4 people with acute medical problems at emergency facilities; and

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6 **WHEREAS** the costs of those services are absorbed by the providing medical facility
7 and contribute to escalating costs of medical insurance;

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9 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Washington State Democrats support health
10 care reform between the present and the full implementation of the Health Insurance
11 Reform Bill of 2010, including direct reimbursement of doctors and hospitals for such
12 emergency care of uninsured persons by the federal government; and

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14 **THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that an electronic copy of this resolution
15 be sent to all members of the State Legislature and to the Washington State
16 Congressional Delegation along with a request for response within thirty days, listing
17 the actions they are willing to take to support this resolution or a list of the reasons
18 explaining why it cannot be supported.

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21 Submitted by the Whitman County Democrats to the Democratic Central Committee for
22 consideration at its June 26 convention in Vancouver. (Date Submitted 4/13/2010)

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24 Recommended Pass with amendments by the Subcommittee on Education, Health Care,
25 and Transportation. (Date Considered 5/2/2010)

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27 Recommended Pass with amendments by the State Convention Platform Committee.
28 (Date Considered 6/5/2010)

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30 The Washington State Democratic Convention "PASSED" this resolution at its June 26,
31 2010 meeting in Vancouver.