

Health Care Reform

Hadassah, the Woman's Zionist Organization of America, renowned for its commitment to health care, is devoted to strengthening the health care system in the United States. Consistent with its mission to improve the quality of American life, Hadassah believes that every American should have access to affordable, quality health care.

The health care system in the United States is in need of comprehensive reform. Forty-seven million Americans now lack health insurance, nine million of whom are children, and these numbers are rising. Lack of coverage compromises the health and economic well-being of millions of uninsured individuals as well as our nation as a whole.

Hadassah calls upon the federal government to adopt health care reform that ensures access to coverage for every American, starting with coverage for every child under the age 18. The federal government must ensure the stability and adequacy of financing so that coverage is affordable for every American. Individuals must be provided with a choice of health insurance plans, and plans must be comprehensive, covering prescription drugs and preventative and emergency services.

While the federal government works to reform the national health care system, Hadassah calls upon state governments to continue to enact legislation that expands affordable coverage and improves the quality of care for every American.