ENSURING HEALTHCARE ACCESS AND COVERAGE FOR ALL

As the nation’s largest nonprofit healthcare system, Ascension Health is committed to doing our part to lead the transformation of healthcare delivery to ensure that it is accessible, affordable, safe, and leads to good health.

This Strategic Direction is focused in three areas: Healthcare That Works, Healthcare That Is Safe, and Healthcare That Leaves No One Behind.

OUR 2020 GOAL FOR HEALTHCARE THAT LEAVES NO ONE BEHIND
100% ACCESS AND 100% COVERAGE

100% access and 100% coverage means that all persons, particularly those persons who are uninsured or underinsured, receive healthcare services and health insurance that:

1. Creates and supports the best journey to improved health outcomes for each individual, and
2. Is financed in an adequate and sustainable fashion.

We now have an opportunity to move that goal forward. We must examine each healthcare reform proposal with a critical eye. We must ask questions of the proposals and consider the answers as we evaluate them. We must make sure to consider the human impact of a policy change.

ASCENSION HEALTH IS TRANSFORMING HEALTHCARE BY PROVIDING THE HIGHEST QUALITY CARE TO ALL, with special attention to those who are poor and vulnerable. Ascension Health, which provided $926 million in care of persons who are poor and community benefit in 2008, is the nation’s largest Catholic and nonprofit health system. Our Mission-focused Health Ministries consist of 107,000 associates serving in 20 states and the District of Columbia.
We are committed to redesigning the healthcare delivery system and partnering with policymakers to achieve 100% access and 100% coverage.

- **Ensure 100% Access to Healthcare Services**
- **Achieve Destination of 100% Coverage**
- **Reform Insurance Rules; Shared Obligation and Responsibility for Coverage**
- **Make Health Insurance Affordable and Equitable**
- **Eliminate Coverage and Service Gaps, Particularly for the Vulnerable**
- **Ensure Economic Viability Through Shared Financial Responsibility**
- **Improved Health for Our Community**