As we have written about before, the Trump Administration continues to promote the roll-out of work requirements in Medicaid programs, despite losing a court case challenging this policy in Kentucky (and, more recently, the filing of a suit in Arkansas). States too seem unfazed by this setback and proposals seeking permission to implement work requirements persist. This week, we’re throwing a spotlight onto one such state: Mississippi.

Unlike most states seeking a work requirement, Mississippi has not expanded Medicaid to cover all able-bodied adults at incomes up to 133% of the Federal Poverty Line. As we noted, a key Administration official overseeing Medicaid previously indicated that non-expansion states seeking a work requirement would have to figure out how to deal with the “subsidy cliff” such proposals would create: enrollees working the mandated number of hours would likely make too much to qualify for Medicaid, yet too little to qualify for the Affordable Care Act’s subsidies—leaving people with no place to turn to for health care coverage.

To hear more about the situation in Mississippi and how advocates can help, we interviewed Linda Dixon Rigsby from the Mississippi Center for Justice. The resource Linda describes can be found here.

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