

Gov. Walker: Releases statement on the best way to repeal and replace Obamacare

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Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker releases statement on the best way to repeal and replace Obamacare:

The best way to repeal and replace Obamacare is to give each state the resources and responsibility for health care. Specifically, provide each state with an adequately funded block grant as well as full responsibility for decisions regarding health care and health insurance coverage. Governors and other state leaders are more effective, more efficient, and more accountable to the public.

Adequately funded block grants to the states should hold Medicaid expansion states harmless while providing some parity to non-expansion states. Giving states full responsibility allows decisions to be made closer to the people so they can accommodate state and regional needs as opposed to a one-size-fits-all mentality from Washington. The welfare reform law that was signed in 1996 is a model. States were given adequately funded block grants that are still used today and welfare rolls dropped as people transitioned from government dependence to true independence through work.