

## **Key Benefits for Iowa in the Health Reform Legislation**

- Provide tax credits for up to 48,600 Iowa small businesses to help make coverage more affordable.
- Health reform will ensure that the 302,000 uninsured Iowans and 171,000 Iowans who purchase health insurance through the individual market have access to affordable health insurance options through state-based health insurance exchanges.
  - Prohibit insurance companies from excluding coverage of pre-existing conditions for the 713,155 children in Iowa, starting this year.
- Close the “donut hole” and improve other Medicare benefits for 505,000 Iowa seniors.
  - Each year, 89,700 Iowa seniors hit the Medicare Part D “donut hole.” Starting this year, seniors who hit this gap in their prescription drug coverage will receive a \$250 check, and the “donut hole” will be completely closed by 2020.
- Reduce family health insurance premiums by \$1,350 - \$1,930 for the same benefits, as compared to what they would be without health reform by 2016.
  - Starting this year, 300,466 young adults in Iowa will be able to remain covered by their parent’s insurance policy until age 26.
- Create 5,600 - 9,000 jobs by reducing health care costs for employers.
- Provide more federal funding for 83 Community Health Centers in Iowa.
- Health reform will provide immediate access to quality, affordable health insurance for as many as 33,497 uninsured Iowans who are unable to obtain health insurance because of a pre-existing condition.