

Health care and health insurance: What the North Carolina gubernatorial candidates have to say

N.C. Lt. Gov. Bev Perdue, Democrat

New Bern, N.C.; first elected lieutenant governor in 2000; former N.C. representative, 1986-1990; former N.C. senator, 1990-2000; former N.C. Senate Appropriations Committee chairwoman



General availability and affordability: Wants to expand Medicaid coverage to up to 150 percent of the poverty level; supports splitting the cost of health insurance between employers, employees and the state; wants to provide tax incentives for purchasing private plans.

Child Health Care: Wants to expand N.C. Kids Care fund, which provides health care for children living at up to 300 percent of the poverty level; provide affordable options to families above 300 percent of the poverty level

to help them pay for their children's health care.

Preventative Care: Wants to expand preventative outpatient care at all hospitals; support initiatives to fight childhood obesity and teen tobacco use; support stem cell research to combat chronic health conditions; provide health care packages that include preventative services

Mental Health Care: Develop on-site accountability system; expand Medicaid coverage to mental health; coordinate mental and physical health care policies;

place more mental health professionals in rural areas; provide more competitive pay for mental health professionals; develop "centers of excellence" for training on university campuses.

Legislative record: Helped create a prescription drug benefit program for low-income seniors; oversaw initiatives to make N.C. school districts 100 percent tobacco free; secured funding for cancer research center at UNC.

Charlotte Mayor Pat McCrory, Republican

Jamestown, N.C.; Charlotte mayor, 1995-present; former city council representative and mayor pro tem; founding member and chairman of N.C. Metropolitan Coalition of Mayors



General availability and affordability: Wants to provide tax credits for workers that are not covered by their company's health insurance policy; eliminate state mandates on health care to bring costs down; extend a tax credit to those whose employers don't provide insurance coverage; cap non-economic damages in malpractice lawsuits.

Child Health Care: Wants to provide tax credits to help families up to 200 percent of the poverty level; provide funds for poverty-stricken families to purchase

health insurance on the private market.

Preventative Care: Wants to provide preventative incentives to encourage health care for children that are already overweight; provide tax breaks to encourage small businesses to offer health care for employees with chronic conditions.

Mental Health Care: Wants to establish citizen councils to advise mental health care policy; halt mental hospital closures and reductions to bed availability

Medical professionals: Wants to fill vacant jobs and alleviate medical professional shortages by rewarding universities and community colleges for training nurses and emergency medical technicians; work more with individual communities to meet unique health care needs.

Medicaid reform: Wants to allow Medicaid recipients to use private insurance instead; work with legislature to modernize the program.

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Level: 1 2 3 4

Sudoku grid with numbers 5, 6, 8, 9, 2, 1, 4, 8, 6, 5, 2, 8, 7, 5

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9.

Solution to Wednesday's puzzle

Sudoku solution grid with numbers 1-9

Vote early

UNC Young Democrats led a march from the Pit in support of early voting. See pg. 3 for story.

Cutting back

Orange County's school districts are looking at ways to trim their budgets. See pg. 4 for story.

On the issues

See where the gubernatorial candidates stand on health care issues. See above for story.

Plant closings increase

N.C. unemployment was 7 percent in September, in part because of plant closings. See pg. 12 for story.

Safety concerns

Many graduate students say they don't feel safe working late on campus. See pg. 1 for story.

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ACROSS

- 1 Vino region
5 Was defeated by
11 Letters for shock treatment
14 Any time now
15 Provo resident
16 Quid pro
17 Start of Ed Howe quip
19 Mentalist Geller
20 River ends, often
21 "Scream" director
22 Down with the flu
23 Ford dud
24 Scottish uncle
26 "Fiddler on the Roof" role
28 Part 2 of quip
31 Aged
34 Egg-coloring brand
35 Emetic medication
38 Cover
40 Part 3 of quip
42 Casa chamber
43 Birthplace of St. Francis
45 Em, to Dorothy
47 Drink like a dog
48 Part 4 of quip
51 University of Maine town
53 Citrus drink
54 Brahman, e.g.
58 Reed or Rawls
59 Scram!
61 Seal engraved on a ring

DOWN

- 1 Off the record
2 Planted seeds
3 Works strenuously
4 Part of a foot
5 San Obispo
6 Polo Grounds great
7 Adage
8 What's worldwide
9 Container weight
10 Ballroom dance
11 Undecided
12 Like Shirley Temple's hairdo
13 Linen fabric

18 Billy of the Dead End Kids

- 24 Biblical twin
25 Lost
27 Somme summers
29 Flavorful
30 Hansen of NPR's "Weekend Edition"
31 Egg cells
32 French article
33 Safe savings
36 Fla. neighbor
37 Ceiling
39 Pride member

41 Gospel writer

- 44 Catchphrases
46 Implied
49 Shaving foam
50 Honshu city
51 Medleys
52 Popel company
55 Woman's netlike cap
56 Aquarium fish
57 Old-time anesthetic
60 Sturpee rival
61 Certain NCO's
64 Despot Amin
65 Wind dir.

Word search grid with words like MAJ, TOSCA, BOAST, EMU, AGHAS, ENNUI, etc.

Crossword grid with numbers 1-71

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