

WASHINGTON, DC – On Wednesday, the [Department of Health and Human Services released new data](#) showing that since a provision in the Affordable Care Act allowing young adults to stay on their parents' health insurance took effect, 2.5 million more Americans have secured health care coverage. Representative Xavier Becerra (CA-31), Vice Chair of the House Democratic Caucus and Ranking Member of the Social Security Subcommittee, released the following statement:

“The facts are the facts: the historic health care reform law of 2010 is providing millions of Americans with quality, affordable care. Today, 2.5 million more young Americans have health care coverage due to the Affordable Care Act. And let’s not forget that insurance companies can no longer deny health care coverage to children with pre-existing conditions. On top of that, in the past 12 months more than 300,000 jobs have been created in the health industry.

The Affordable Care Act is working. And this is just the beginning. It’s time to put to bed the scare tactics about ‘death panels’ and ‘government takeovers’ and start preparing for 2014 when the full benefits of health care reform begin to reach every corner of America.”