

Argument and Explanation in Opposition to Issue 3

Vote NO on Issue 3

Voting “NO” means that health care will be more secure because **working families** won’t be denied coverage due to a **pre-existing condition**. **Voting “NO”** also helps protect Ohioans from the risk of losing their coverage or being forced into bankruptcy when someone gets sick.

State Issue 3 is an attempt by some to take away the ability of Ohio to implement health care reforms. Opposing this measure will continue to allow Ohioans to have greater access to health care, maintain certain preventive care options like cancer screenings and it will preserve Ohioans’ freedom to choose their doctors.

Voting “NO” will continue to make health care more affordable and it will ensure opportunities for the 1.4 million Ohioans who have been shut out of the insurance market because of pre-existing conditions and high insurance costs.

Voting “NO” will:

- Stop insurance companies from excluding people, including children, with pre-existing medical conditions from getting health insurance.
- Allow working parents to include their children under their employer's health care plan until age 26.
- Preserve prescription drug coverage and preventive care benefits for seniors, children and parents.
- Stop insurance companies from imposing annual and lifetime caps on health care coverage.
- Protect Ohioans from catastrophic health care expenses that result in bankruptcy.
- Help small businesses provide health insurance for their employees.
- Make sure everyone takes responsibility to pay their fair share into the health care system for care they use when sick or injured, instead of shifting costs onto people who pay for insurance.
- Allow Ohioans freedom to choose their doctors.

Support the choice of Ohioans – including those with pre-existing conditions – to have access to affordable insurance coverage, lower health care costs and protect seniors’ access to prescription drugs and preventive care.

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