

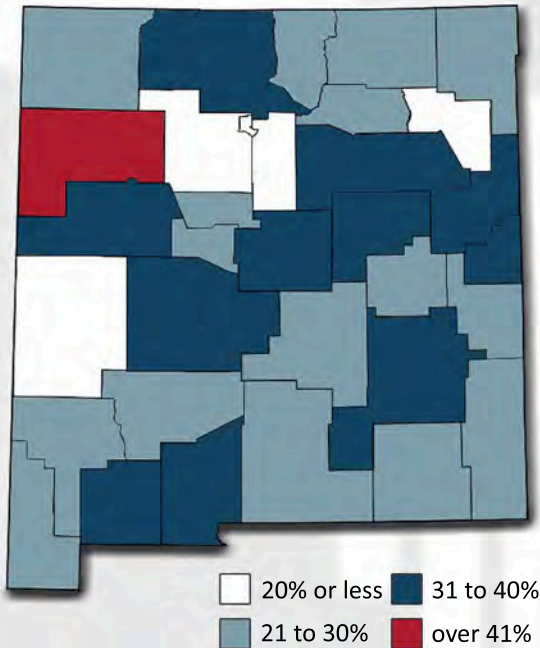
N.M.'s MOST VULNERABLE ARE HIT HARDEST BY MEDICAID CUTS



MEDICAID MATTERS!

1 in 4 New Mexicans were eligible for Medicaid as of July 2011

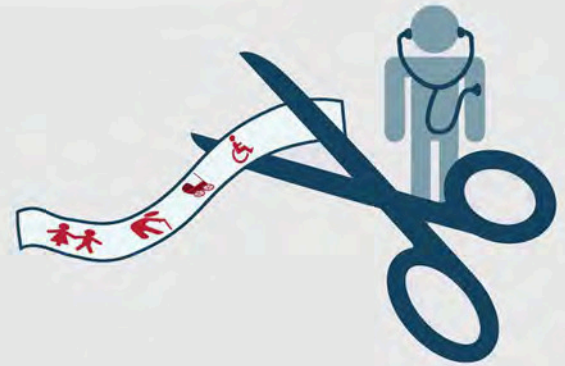
Medicaid Enrollment in NM by % of County Pop. May 2010



Federal matching funds for Medicaid bring over **\$3 billion** dollars to the state

Medicaid supports over **50,000 jobs** in NM. For every \$10 million in state funds that Medicaid is under-funded, **500 jobs are lost**

Medicaid helps **reduce private insurance premiums** by insuring more people



Budget cuts mean less services for those in need . . . and higher costs for all New Mexicans!

When people don't have access to services, their conditions worsen, and they seek treatment at more expensive venues like emergency rooms, burdening charity care programs.

Medicaid shortfalls have already frozen the SCI program, taking away an affordable source of healthcare coverage for small employers



Home and community based services for seniors and people with severe disabilities prevent costly institutionalization. Waiting lists for these services are already in the tens of thousands and will grow with budget cuts.