Perspectives on Health Policy from People with Disabilities

Abstract

Some people have disabilities, which can make it hard for them to take part in things like politics. Even though they might have similar political beliefs to others, we don't know much about their thoughts on healthcare.

So, we talked to people with disabilities between 2017 and 2019. We had conversations with 35 of them on the phone and got written responses from 484 others in a big survey. We asked them what they want politicians to know about healthcare and health insurance for people with disabilities.

Here's what they told us:

1. People with disabilities often feel left out and like they are treated unfairly.
2. They mostly support the Affordable Care Act, and they think everyone should have access to healthcare because it's the right thing to do.

This study helps us understand what people with disabilities want to say to politicians about healthcare, and it shows that most of them believe healthcare should be available to everyone.