Access to Health Care and Insurance

70% of residents surveyed in 2018 said access to health care and insurance was a top issue in Durham.¹

Percent of Durham Residents who are Uninsured²

Hispanic residents were 7 times more likely than whites to be uninsured.

Past policies have led to unequal access to jobs and forced poverty among families of color. Poverty makes it harder for people to access health insurance and healthcare.³⁴

Top Reasons Preventing Durham Residents from Getting Health Insurance⁵

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We heard you!

Here are some of the most common recommendations that came out of a series of listening sessions with residents on how to address access to care in Durham.

“Healthy citizens can be productive and have stable families. Having access to housing and healthcare is critical.”

-Durham resident, 2018

Provide free or low cost preventive and holistic care.

Cap the price of medications.

Make sure providers are giving culturally appropriate care.

Increase access to patient navigators.

Provide care via mobile clinics. This is a scientifically supported practice.

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