The Families First Coronavirus Response Act

A bipartisan package that helps families during the coronavirus outbreak

FREE TESTING FOR CORONAVIRUS

The bill ensures that all individuals, including those with private insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, VA, FEHBP, and TRICARE, as well as the uninsured, will not be charged out of pocket for coronavirus testing. If you are experiencing symptoms, visit the CDC.gov.

STRENGTHENS FOOD ASSISTANCE

The bill includes more than \$1 billion to provide nutritious foods to pregnant women and mothers with young children, help food banks, and provide meals for families and seniors. It also allows schools and nonprofits to serve children during closures and allow multiple meals to be taken home or delivered.

SAFEGUARDS MEDICAID BENEFITS

The bill increases the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) that the federal government provides to state and territorial Medicaid programs. This will ensure states have the resources they need to maintain and expand health care coverage. To see how much your state is estimated to receive, visit <u>cbpp.org.</u>

ENHANCES UNEMPLOYMENT AID

The bill gives states the resources and flexibility to provide unemployment benefits to laid off and furloughed workers, as well as to those workers who exhaust their allotted paid leave.

ESTABLISHES PAID LEAVE

The bill establishes emergency paid leave programs for some employees should they have to stay home to care for a child or if they are experiencing symptoms of coronavirus. Employers and self-employed workers will be reimbursed for wages paid under these programs through refundable tax credits.

