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What Issues Will Uninsured People Face with Testing and Treatment for COVID-19?

This fact sheet demonstrates how the uninsured are likely to face significant barriers to testing for COVID-19 and any care they may need if they contract the virus. Uninsured individuals who contract COVID-19 and need care will likely receive large medical bills, even if they have low incomes and are unable to pay. One in five uninsured adults went without needed medical care due to cost in 2018.

In addition, half of the uninsured do not have a usual place to go when they need medical care. Without a usual source of care, the uninsured may not know where to go to get tested if they think they have been exposed to the virus and may forego testing or care out of fear of having to pay out-of-pocket for the test. Congressional legislation to address the coronavirus pandemic includes provisions to ensure access to free COVID-19 testing for uninsured individuals; however, the legislation does not address coverage of COVID-19 treatment costs for people who are uninsured.

Read the full article here: https://www.kff.org/private-insurance/issue-brief/private-health-coverage-of-covid-19-key-facts-and-issues/?utm_campaign=KFF-2020-Womens-Health-Policy-WHP&utm_source=hs_email&utm_medium=email&utm_content=84968297&hsenc=p2ANqtz-9PubMwmPVf2AVO0P6SnUaQhlZsu9o-BQNKnPOzvKf_EqXjNPwe0zc9-83XuJJCUKFDqjP3rzwmTiWA0BU82T8Yan96IA&hsmi=84968297