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Gov. Christie: We're Making Sure The Least Fortunate Have Access To Treatment, Beyond What Medicaid Offers

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Governor Christie: What we are doing is re-doubling the efforts we've put forward already and doing it based upon evidence-based treatment. Making sure that those people who are least fortunate in this state have access to it even beyond what they have access to in Medicaid already, and for all of it to be evidence based so that if you want to be reimbursed, you have to show success. And you have to have people who are able every day to access this and we do it across a lot of difference disciplines. Not only dealing with issues like the actual treatment of addiction and medication-assisted treatment, counseling and all the rest, but also, what do you do about housing? Which you've seen we've put some emphasis on in this administration by lowering the homelessness rate in this state by more than any administration in history. We know that if someone doesn't have a home to go home to it's very hard for them to stay sober. We spend a good deal of money in this proposal on making sure that we do early intervention with pregnant women, both before they get pregnant and after they're pregnant to work with obstetrician gynecologists across the state, to make sure that they're talking to them about the dangers and the effects of what happens when they use during that period of time and getting them the treatment they need while they're pregnant to do that and enhancing that ability in the state. The recovery coach program, which has been so successful as a pilot, will now be expanded to every county in the state. So if you go to a hospital anywhere in New Jersey, once we implement this program a little bit later in the fall, if you're reversed by naloxone and you're in an emergency room, you will be met by a recovery coach before you leave the emergency room to help you get to an appropriate detox facility, outpatient treatment or inpatient treatment, depending on what's right for that patient and that patient will be followed by that recovery coach going forward. Those are all elements of it and there are more to it that we'll highlight as we go through events this week.

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