

# Medicaid Working-Aged Adults Largely Spared from Financial Hardships Following Surgical Procedures

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A [recent study](#) published in *JAMA Surgery* determined that, among working-aged adults, uninsured and privately insured patients face severe financial hardships following surgery, whereas Medicaid beneficiaries are largely shielded from these effects. These findings indicate that, without changes to improve financial risk protection, restrictive policies on Medicaid eligibility may increase financial hardship among working-aged surgical patients.