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Forum speakers press for access to health care

BILLINGS Speakers at a Billings forum on health care said it should be accessible to all Americans, no matter what their ability to pay.

Yesterday's forum organized by the federally appointed Citizens' Health Care Working Group was one of 35 nationwide. Montana Senator Max Baucus urged that a forum take place in the state.

About 100 people attended the Billings event, which lasted four hours. A panel at the forum will consider the comments, as findings are prepared for delivery to Congress in September.

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